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ENTENTE PRESS SCORNS GERMANY'S PEACE TERMS; ALLIED POWERS WILL CONSULT

RUMANIAN OFFENSE IS SOON SMASHED; DRIVEN BACK AGAIN

Russian Moldavian Army Captures Trench Line, Repulses Counters

INFLICTS BIG LOSS

Germans Put Up Stubborn Resistance On Dorna Vatra Front.

LEVYING WAR TAX

Fine Craiova £2,000,000; Bukharest to Pay On Double Scale

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Petrograd, December 13.—An official communique issued today reported: South of the River Trotus, in Moldavia, we captured a line of trenches and repulsed counter-attacks, with great losses. The enemy are stubbornly resisting our advance north of Dorna Vatra.

The Rumanians took the offensive on the high road between Mizil and Buzeu, but were obliged to fall back. At present, the Rumanian army occupies the front Buzeu-Saringa-Urzlteni.

London, December 12.—The Times correspondent at Jassy states that the Germans have levied a war-tax of £2,000,000 from Craiova and the levy from Bukharest will be on a double scale.

Front Is Almost Equal To That In The West

(Ostasiatische Lloyd War Service)

Berlin, December 9.—The military critic of the Deutsche Ueberseedienst writes:

The two great battles in the Carpathians and in Wallachia are more and more combining to a single gigantic battle, reaching from the Jablonica Pass, in the Bukhovina, to the Danube and raging on a front nearly equal to the front in Belgium and France. The pivot, the most important point of this gigantic battle front, is formed by the districts lying between Kronstadt, Ploesti, Buzeu and Kerdivasarhely, where the Wallachian Carpathians meet the Moldavian Carpathians.

North of this pivot, the Russians again and again attacked our front, with the intention of laying hands upon the gates of Transylvania and rescuing the parts of the Rumanian army yet advancing in the Predeal Pass. For more than a week the Russians have exhausted their reserves in these useless attacks against the armies of Generals von Arz and Koevess, without obtaining more than insignificant local successes.

South of the pivot mentioned, the battle front of the Quadruple Alliance is permanently victoriously advancing. The Rumanian army groups are thrown against the forts of Bukharest and the railway line Bukharest-Ploesti-Campina. The Rumanian *point d'appui* Sinaia could no longer resist the pressure from the north and west. The shaken Russo-Rumanian forces during the last week left nearly 30,000 men and immense quantities of guns, machine-guns and ammunition, heavily loaded trains and transports, all with materials, in the hands of the conquerors.

The Russian offensive in the north, planned in a great style and carried out under tremendous sacrifices, could not delay the catastrophe in Wallachia. ince the beginning of the war, the Rumanians have lost about 112,000 men as prisoners, or the sixth part of their army. The total losses of the Rumanians are estimated at about 300,000 men.

The enormous advantages gained by the operations in Wallachia, thanks to the clear disposition of the Rumanian campaign, are clearly shown by a comparison of the former with the actual front extension. The German, Austro-Hungarian and Bulgarian front on November 12, from Predeal, in the Western Carpathians, to Orsova on the Danube, was 750 kilometers, while today the front amounts to only 200 kilometers approximately on the line Sinaia-Danube. This means that the front has been shortened by 550 kilometers. The conquered area is 50,000 square kilometers, in round figures.

Shanghai Branch U. S. Navy League Makes Good Start

Early Campaign to Enlist Every American Here; Annual Fee Is $4; Plan to Strengthen Asiatic Fleet

Since the formation of a committee, of which Mrs. A. G. Winterhalter is chairman, for the purpose of organising a local branch of the Navy League of the United States, so many men and women have enrolled as members that a Shanghai branch is now fully assured.

The purposes of the League are to acquire and disseminate information as to the condition of the United States naval forces and ships and to awaken public interest and activity in all matters tending to aid, improve and develop the efficiency of the navy. It has no connection with any business or political organisation.

The necessity of a strong American navy in Asiatic waters, the committee believes, is realised by all Americans and the Shanghai branch of the Navy League proposes to use the concerted force of its members in doing what it can to strengthen the American navy in the East and generally.

Charles W. Eliot, President Emeritus of Harvard University, says in The World's Work of November:—

"A few philanthropists believe that the world would get on better if there were no armies and navies and no use of force to resist wrong-doers: but non-resistance seems to almost everybody an impracticable international policy at mankind's actual state of progress. The nations have not yet come into Emerson's 'region of Holiness' where passion passes from them.

"On the contrary, never before was outrageous violence so rife in the world and resistance to it by force so indispensable. The policy of non-resistance is nowhere applied to burglars, murderers or maniacs.

"Non-resistance is an admirable moral goal, but reaching it seems at the present day as far off as when Buddha taught twenty-five hundred years ago that the use of force was never justifiable, or even expedient."

It is the desire of the committee to have all Americans of Shanghai become members of the local branch, the membership fees of which are as follows:

Life membership, one payment of Mex. $50.00.

Contributing membership, annual payment of Mex. $10.00.

Annual membership, annual payment of Mex. $4.00.

Mr. Wm. Morris, of 22 Museum Road, is secretary to the afore-mentioned Committee and will be glad to receive subscriptions from anyone desiring to join the League. It is the intention, in the near future, to canvass the American community of Shanghai for membership.

Berlin Admits Nearly 4,000,000 Casualties Since the War Began

889,957 Killed; Record Increased by Loss of 166,176 During November

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 13.—The German casualties officially reported in November total 166,176 officers and men, of whom 28,729 have been killed, making the total German losses officially reported since the outbreak of the war 3,921,869, of whom 889,957 have been killed.

QUAKER OATS FACTORY IN ONTARIO IS GUTTED

£300,000 Damage; Four People Killed, Fifteen Injured, Twelve Missing

Reuter's Service

Ottawa, December 12.—Four persons have been killed, twelve are missing and fifteen were injured in a fire at the Quaker Oats factory at Peterboro, Ontario, in which damage to the extent of £300,000 was done.

Mail Notices

MAILS CLOSE

For Japan:—
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Omi Maru Dec. 15
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Chikugo M. Dec. 19
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Suwa Maru Dec. 20
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Kumano M. Dec. 21
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Yawata M. Dec. 23
For U.S., Canada, and Europe:—
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Per T.K.K. s.s. Siberia M. Dec. 16
Per T.K.K. s.s. Tenyo M. Dec. 22
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Tamba M. Dec. 24
Per R.M. s.s. E. of Russia Dec. 30
For Europe:—
Per M.M. s.s. Amazone Dec. 15
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Kamo M. Dec. 23
Per P. & O. s.s. Novara Dec. 25
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Kashima M. Dec. 31

Mails to Arrive:—

The American mail is due here on or about December 18, per P.M. s.s. Ecuador.

The French mail of November 12 was due at Saigon yesterday, and here on Saturday, December 23. Left Singapore on December 10, per M.M. s.s. Armand Behic.

The French mail of November 29 is due at Hongkong on January 4, and here on January 8. Left Marseilles on November 29, per M.M. s.s. Porthos.

Engaged by Germans To Destroy Munition Factories in America

Pittsburg Police Hold Suspect, Look for Others; Result Of Fort Pitt Explosion

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

New York, December 12.—In connection with an explosion at the plant belonging to the Aetna Chemical Company, at Fort Pitt, where three men were killed, the Federal authorities at Pittsburg have arrested a suspect and are seeking for three others who are believed to have been regularly engaged by the Germans to cause explosions in munition works in the United States.

Joffre to Make Way For General Nivelle

Will Join Allied War Board; Admiral Fournet Is Also To Leave Greek Command

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 12.—There are rumors of pending changes in the French High Command, including the supersession of General Joffre, who is to be given the rank of Marshal and the Presidency of the Allied War Board. General Nivelle, the captor of Douaumont, who is 60 years of age and was a colonel at the outbreak of the war, will become Generalissimo.

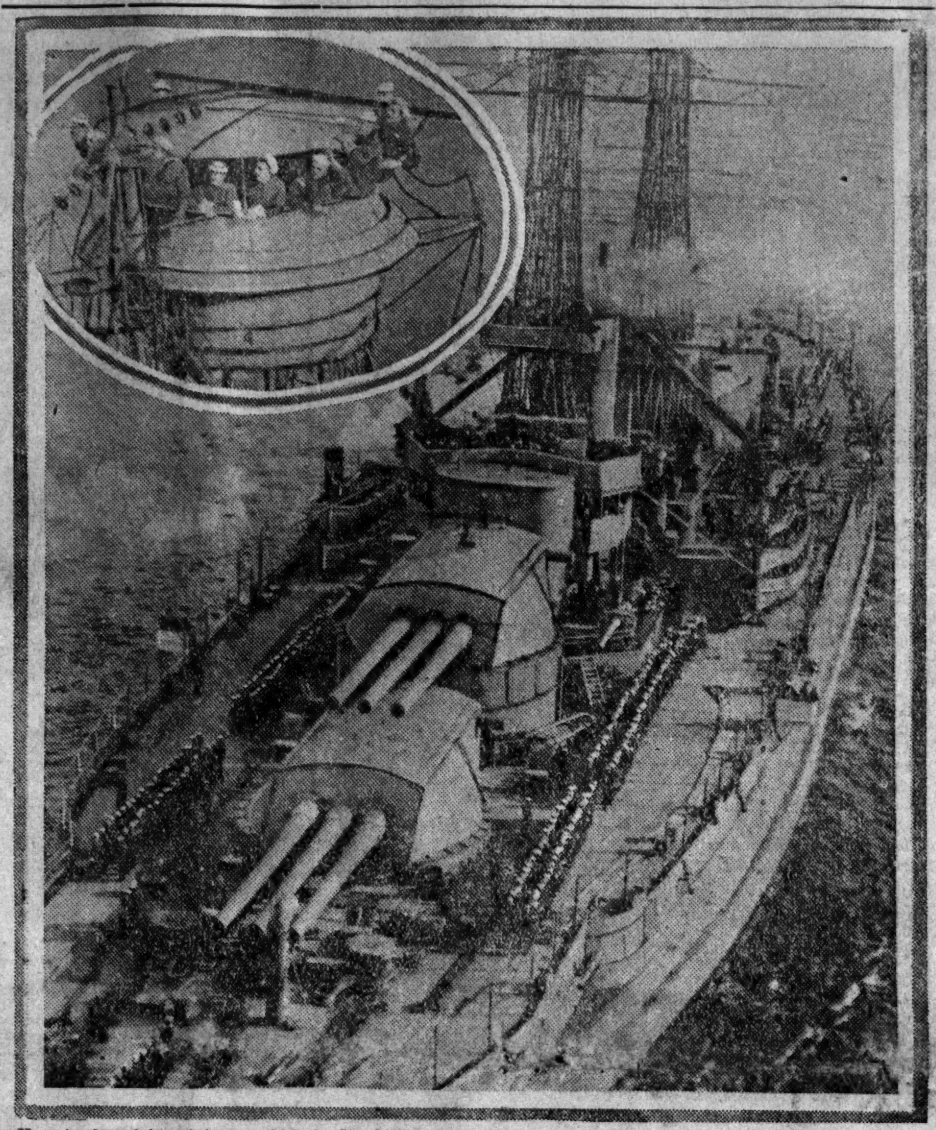
General Castelnau, Joffre's Chief of Staff, is also retiring, while M. Painleve will become Minister of War, in succession to General Roques, who, presumably, will be given a command in the field.

Paris, Dec. 12.—Official.—General Nivelle is appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Armies of the North and North-East. Admiral Gauchet replaces Admiral de Fournet in command of the Allied naval forces in Greek waters. General Gouraud is appointed Resident-General of Morocco.

The Weather

Fine weather and sharp cold. The maximum temperature recorded yesterday was 52.8 and the minimum 37.2, the figures for the corresponding day last year being respectively 50.2 and 33.8.

Mighty Arizona Has Bomb-Proof Fighting Tops



Here is the mighty Arizona, which, like her sistership, the Pennsylvania, equals any fighting craft in the world, and here is shown for the first time the steel-covered fighting top of Uncle Sam's greatest sea-fighter. These steel-covered tops are intended as a protection against the bombs of hostile aviators.

Should the Arizona engage in battle and hostile aviators approach, the sailors in the fighting top would not remain in the positions that you see them in the picture. They would bob down out of sight and under the protection of the steel lid endeavor to pick off the enemy air-men. This photograph is perhaps best evidence of the fact that Uncle Sam is not asleep. The picture was made "close-up" on the fighting-tops as the dreadnought passed under the Brooklyn Bridge, on its way out to sea from the Brooklyn Navy Yard, for what Captain John D. MacDonald described as a "shaking down."

Japan Financial Panic Follows Cabled News Peace Terms Offered

Exchange Closed Till 16th; Official Opinion is Proposal Will Be Rejected

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Tokio, December 14.—The first intimation of Germany's peace proposals was contained in a cable from Reuter's Agency, New York, received at 9 o'clock yesterday morning. The news came as a complete surprise and the extras issued by the papers caused a panic on the Stock Exchange. Shipping shares tumbled and other stocks followed until the Committee closed the Exchange till the 16th.

The Foreign Office, the Bank of Japan and other influential institutions received no advices, but, accepting the news issued by the Kokusai Agency, gave out interviews stating their firm belief that Germany's proposals were merely a *ballon d'essai* and that the Allies would not consider any leaving Germany her position before the war or anything approximating thereto.

PROPOSE SPAIN REFUSE TO REVICTUAL U-BOATS

Bill Would Impose Heavy Penalties for Aid Outside Territorial Waters

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Madrid, December 12.—A Bill has been introduced into the Chamber, prohibiting, under drastic penalties, the revictualling of belligerent submarines outside territorial waters.

Choutsun, City of 100,000, Is Reduced In Six Months Simply to a Robber Camp

Special Correspondence of The China Press

Choutsun, Shantung, December 11.—This city is today near its death struggle. It has taken General Wu Tai-chou and his band of brigands just six months to reduce Choutsun, not to mention the near villages, to a robber camp.

Choutsun was prior to May 4 this year about the third most important business center in Shantung. The people of this district were so peaceable that the Government waived the privilege of keeping a body of soldiers there.

From the very outset every torture known to savages has been put to use by Wu's officers and soldiers to extract money from the people. Systematic looting proceeded until every shop in the city was gutted, and in various cases the shops and houses were set fire evidently to cover up the crime. After the city had been sucked dry by this means, and the reign of terror fully established, ransom became the order of the day. Anyone who may possibly produce one hundred dollars is now catalogued as a ransom subject, and the ransom increases with the supposed wealth of the subject.

There are four horribly burned cases in the Mission hospital today. A month ago a wealthy woman from the environs of Choutsun was carried into the hospital burned nearly to death. She had been held over a fire and scorched until her whole body was a mass of hanging flesh.

About two weeks ago an old man was hauled in for ransom, and on raising four hundred dollars he was taken to the edge of the city by four soldiers who shot him through the side of the head and left him as dead. He was carried into the hospital and is now nearly well.

Last Sunday morning a wealthy headman of a nearby village was brought into the Mission hospital in a pitiable state. Wu Tai-chou's soldiers had got wind that he had money, and they went to the village and put this man through several hours of torture over red hot fires made out of kaoliang stalks. One of his arms was burned as hard as a rock, and not only this, but they had gone over his body with red hot irons writing various figures on his flesh.

There are numerous cases of like nature discussed by the natives, but these are cases which have actually found their way into the Mission hospital. The shooting up of nearby villages and environs of Choutsun is no longer taken much notice of, but when it comes to torturing the people over red hot fires to compel them to give up their money, some exception is taken.

There is not a shop that can be called a shop open in Choutsun today. The people have been reduced to their last extremity. They are hopeless and helpless, as there doesn't seem to be any relief from the Government.

This city lies two hours by railway from Tsinanfu, and yet this band of murderers and brigands continues to ply its trade. They rush up and down the streets of Choutsun like mad, flourishing Mauser pistols and shouting.

This is a true picture of Choutsun as we see it today. Six months ago it was a thriving city of over one hundred thousand people and noted for its many fine shops.

OFFER CONDITIONAL ON RETURN OF ALL CAPTURED COLONIES

Restore France and Belgium Fully; Settle Balkan Question In Conference

BRITAIN RETICENT

No Official Statement Until Entente Governments Have Discussed Note

WILSON WAITING

To Mark How Overtures Received; Paris Sees Move To Split Allies

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 12.—A telegram from Washington says that Germany proposes the complete restoration of the occupied portions of Belgium and France, the return of Germany's colonies and the settlement of the Balkan situation by a peace conference.

Reuter's Agency learns that there will probably be no British official pronouncement on the German peace proposals until the Allies have consulted. Meanwhile, the unanimity of the press reflects the unanimity of the Governments and peoples of the Allies.

If the proposals are based, as is shrewdly suspected, on the Germans' pose as victors, they are foredoomed to failure. The offer is regarded as a cunning attempt to sow dissension among the Allies by proposing terms agreeable to some and unacceptable to others.

There is also strong evidence of the German knowledge that they can never win the war and have almost run their course. There may still be periods of strain and stress, but no reply is possible except that the war will only end when the objects of the Allies have been achieved.

British Press Rejects Terms

Germany's proposals are unanimously and emphatically repudiated by the whole British press.

The Morning Post describes it as "a cunning and desperate attempt to forestal the penalty of military failure" and says that it is a proposal not for a peace but for an armistice, which the Allies are bound to decline, as they did the German request for an armistice last September, after the German defeats at the Somme and Verdun.

The Times says that it is a symptom of Germany's conscious weakness. She has failed lamentably to induce the United States to offer mediation and now falls back on an indirect offer to the belligerents. The Allies must refuse even to talk about an armistice until the occupied territories have been restored and compensated.

The Daily Chronicle says that Germany "can have peace any day on our terms."

The Daily Telegraph states that Germany has reached the zenith of her power. She is on the crest of the wave before the inevitable descent.

The Daily News remarks that the Allies cannot enter into peace negotiations on the basis offered by the Imperial German Chancellor.

The Daily Mail says that Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg is no more entitled to a reply than a burglar in a private house.

Pressure on Belgium

The Daily Telegraph learns from an unimpeachable source that Germany has invited Belgium to insist on immediate peace, in return for a guarantee of independence, financial assistance and rehabilitation. In the event of a refusal, Belgium was informed that the existence of her monuments and public buildings and even of her towns is threatened.

Wilson Reserves Comment

Washington, December 12.—It was stated at the White House that

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OUTBREAK AGAINST KING IN SALONICA CATHEDRAL

People Interrupt Mass With Revolutionary Threats; Candia Renounces Loyalty

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 12.—Telegrams from the Provisional Government at Salonica state that, during a Requiem Mass, the congregation often interrupted the Bishop officiating with shouts of: "Down with the King!" "Down with the German Field Marshal!" "Down with the murderer of his own countrymen!" "Down with the traitor!"

The inhabitants of Candia have passed a resolution declaring King Constantine to be deposed and delivered over to the curses of the Greek race.

Captain Tom Marriott Is East African Hero

At Small Post, Bars German Retreat 4 Days; Relief Arrives, Routing Wahle

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 11.—Reuter's special correspondent at Mrogoro relates that the German General Wahle was retreating from Tasora, south-eastward, in order to join the enemy's main force, when he was held up by a small British post, under Captain Tom Marriott, 40 miles south of Ngominge. After four day's fighting, a relief-force, under Colonel Murray, drove off General Wahle, killing 61 of his men and taking 33 prisoners.

General Wahle fell back towards Mahenge. A strong force which he detached, with the object of enveloping General Northey, was cut off and surrendered, 7 white officers, 47 white soldiers and 249 Askaris (native soldiers) being taken prisoners and a howitzer, three maxims, ammunition and cattle captured.

Captain Marriott has been awarded the Military Cross.

Our northern line of investment has now advanced sixty miles along a front of two hundred miles from New Iringa, Kissaki and Kissangire to the coast. Our advance southwest by south from the port of Kilwa has now penetrated sixty miles inland.

Opium and Cocaine Barred from Britain

Reuter's Service

London, December 12.—A Proclamation prohibits the importation of opium and cocaine into the United Kingdom, except under licence.

Hsiung Hsi-ling Is To be Envoy to Japan

Ostasiatische Lloyd

Peking, December 14.—Hsiung Hsi-ling, former Minister of Finance, has, by a Mandate of the President, been appointed special envoy to Japan.

Chen Chin-tao, Minister of Finance, has proposed that a central financial conference should be held in Peking, with delegates of the provinces participating. Financial reforms will be discussed.

LL. GEORGE MUST REST

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 13.—Official.—Mr. Lloyd George presided at the meeting of the War Cabinet, today. He is still suffering from a chill, his voice being particularly affected and has been ordered a complete rest for a day or two.

Somme Bombardment Reaches Record Pitch

Intense Gun Duel Has Lasted Month; British Fire Ammunition Store at Vimy

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Paris, December 13.—A French correspondent says that the mutual bombardment on the west front is the most violent since the beginning of the battle of the Somme. The cannonading is intense, not only on both banks of the Ancre, but also from Loos to Ypres. The duel has now lasted for a month.

The official communique issued yesterday evening reported: South of the Somme, there have been brisk reciprocal artillery actions in the Biaches and La Maisonette sectors.

London, December 13.—General Sir Douglas Haig reported yesterday evening: We carried out successful mining operations southward of Ypres. There was an enemy artillery and trernch-mortar bombardment opposite Festubert and Neuve Chapelle.

An enemy ammunition-dump at Vimy was fired. We bombarded, in retaliation, the enemy's support-lines northward of the Ancre.

The communique this afternoon reported: There has been a comparative calm on the whole western front.

OLDEST PRINCESS DEAD

Ostasiatische Lloyd

Berlin, December 9.—The Dowager-Grand-Duchess Augusta Caroline of Mecklenburg has died. She was the world's oldest princess, having been born in 1822, the daughter of the Duke of Cambridge.

SINK 16 MUNITION-SHIPS

(Ostasiatische Lloyd War Service)

Berlin, December 9.—According to a report from Stockholm, German submarines, during the last week, sank 16 ammunition steamers bound to Russia, in the Arctic Sea.

REPULSE AUSTRIANS

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Rome, December 12.—An official communique issued today reported: The enemy attempted to attack at Dossocasina, south-westward of Loppio, and were repulsed. Bad weather on Carso impeded our artillery.

IRISH WAIT PREMIER'S DECLARATION OF POLICY

Withhold Support Pending Satisfaction on Home Rule; Opposed to Conscription

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 12.—In a letter resigning the chairmanship of the Unionist War Committee, Sir Edward Carson says: "The example set by our enemies in national organisation can only be successfully combated by similar action on our part."

The Irish Party has resolved that it will await a declaration of the Government's Irish policy before deciding its attitude towards the Government. The party declared that it favored a vigorous prosecution of the war, again demanded Home Rule and the abolition of martial law in Ireland and reaffirmed its hostility to conscription.

The House of Lords today passed the Volunteer Bill and then adjourned till the 14th.

Amsterdam, December 11.—The Berliner Tageblatt says: "Lloyd George is a man of the greatest energy and determination and means war to the end."

NATIONAL ORGANISATION FOR AUSTRALIA HINTED

Defence Minister Says Every Bushel of Wheat Possible Should Be Exported

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Melbourne, December 11.—The Hon. G. F. Pearce, Minister of Defence, in a speech yesterday forecasted national organisation. He said that the Government is determined to do its utmost to send reinforcements and material for munitions. Australia should send every bushel of wheat possible overseas. The speech was loudly cheered.

Sydney, December 11.—Adverse influences threaten to reduce the wheat crop appreciably. That of New South Wales may be only half the original estimate and Victoria will also be much below expectations.

BET LOSER BLOWS A LEAF

In Clown Rig and on Hands and Knees, Hughes Man Pays

New York, Nov. 12.—Dressed up as a clown and crawling on his hands and knees, Fred Z. Parking of Bloomfield, N. J., an ardent admirer of Charles E. Hughes, to pay an election bet blew a maple leaf from Lackawanna Place to Bloomfield Center Saturday night. The task required nearly two hours, and at its completion Parking was exhausted.

At the end of the first hour he was compelled to provide himself with knee pads and heavy gloves. When he was within fifteen feet of the goal a gust of wind blew the leaf back about forty feet, and it was thought Parking would give up, but he stuck to his task and completed it without further mishap.

Several Hughes sympathizers took Parking to a drug store, where he was given a tonic. Parking will keep the leaf as a memento of his bet. He says he never will make another.

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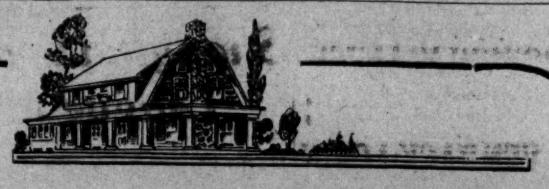

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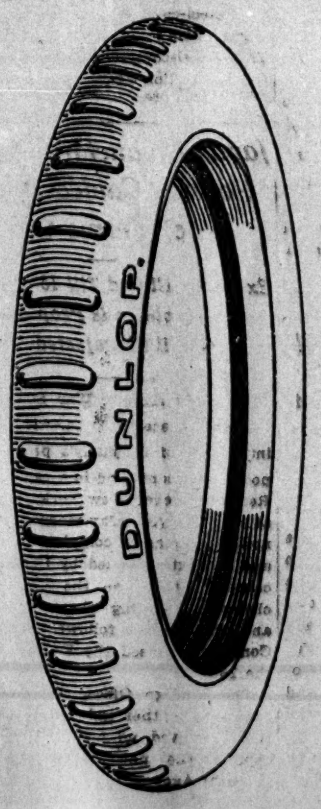

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Offer Conditional On Return Of Colonies

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President Wilson is reserving comment on the peace proposals made by the Central Powers until he learns of the manner in which the Entente receives them. Officials express the opinion that the Central Powers have made these overtures because they are convinced that there is no hope of President Wilson at present making advances.

Neutral diplomatists doubt whether any peaceable results are to be expected from Germany's somewhat theatrical suggestion.

'Chicanery' Says New York

New York, December 13.—The evening papers yesterday published a number of alleged German peace terms, none of them from official sources. The statements they make include the retention of Servia by Austria-Hungary and of Constantinople by Turkey; the restoration to Bulgaria of all the territories lost in the Second Balkan War and the restoration to Austria of all the territory captured by Italy.

The papers agree that the German offer is a piece of political chicanery, made with the object of bolstering up Germany's cause at home and abroad.

The New York World says: 'Germany officially admits that the war is a failure and Germany cannot dominate Europe."

The New York Times points out that the German Imperial Chancellor did not mention the declarations made by the Allies regarding the destruction of Prussian militarism. The omission is significant and also fatal.

Paris, December 13.—The newspapers agree that the peace proposals made by Germany arer contemptible and are a new maneuver made with the object of dividing the Allies and influencing opinion in Germany and neutral countries. In view of Germany's habit of preparing aggressions under the cover of negotiations it behoves the Allies to beware.

Chancellor's Reichstag Speech

Amsterdam, December 12.—The Reichstag was crowded and the galleries thronged when the German Imperial Chancellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, rose to speak. He said:

"I shall be brief. Rumania entered the war to roll up our position and that of our ally in the East. Simultaneously, the grand offensive at the Somme was intended to pierce our western front, while the renewed Italian attacks were meant to paralyse Austria-Hungary. The situation was serious, but, with God's help, our troops withstood the enemy.

"Our western front not only stands, but, despite the Rumanian campaign, is equipped with larger reserves in men and material than formerly, but, while on the Somme and on Carso drum-fire resounded and the Russians launched troops against our eastern frontier and Transylvania, Marshal von Hindenburg captured the whole of Western Wallachia and Bukharest, great stocks of grain, victuals and oil falling into our hands. Thus, by sword-strokes, the foundations of our economic needs have been laid.

"Our submarines added to their heroic deeds. The specter of famine, which our enemies intended for us, now mercilessly pursues them.

"After the first year's war, the Kaiser said that his heart was filled with awe and determination. That is how we feel now. If the enemy counted on our weariness, then he has been deceived."

Says Empire Unexhausted

The Imperial German Chancellor continued: "The German Empire is not a beleaguered fortress, but a mighty army camp, with unexhausted resources. Our enemies have evaded our previous declarations of our readiness for peace. The Kaiser considers that the moment has arrived for an official move for peace in his very high moral and religious sense of his duty towards his people and mankind.

"Our enemies brought up the might-question of the world war in 1914. Today, we put the humanity-question of peace. We await the reply of the enemy with the calm which our external and internal strength and a clear conscience confer. If our enemies decline, if they wish to assume the world burden of horrors that will ensue, then every German heart will blaze up anew in holy wrath."

Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg concluded by intimating that he had asked the representatives of the United States, Spain and Switzerland, as guardians of Germany's interests abroad, to transmit the peace proposals previously mentioned. The Pope has also been informed.

The Reichstag greeted the Chancellor's reading of the Note with applause and the clapping of hands, in which the Extremists joined. The adjournment was voted, a section of the House demanding unsuccessfully that, without delay, they should hold a discussion on the speech made by the Chancellor.

Note to the Pope

The German Note to the Pope dwells on the losses and misery caused by the war, including neutrals. It declares that Europe, the seat of civilisation, is threatened with destruction, in which Germany is warring in self-defense and hopes that the Holy See will benevolently echo and assist with its valuable services in the initiative for peace made by Germany.

The Notes further state that Germany, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey have proved their unconquerable strength and won mighty successes over an enemy superior in number and materials of war. Their lines unshakably withstand ever-repeated attacks and the latest assault in the Balkans has been quickly wrecked.

The latest events prove that the powers of resistance of Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria are unbreakable. On the contrary, the entire situation justifies the expectation of further successes.

The glorious deeds of Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria have not altered the fact that they were compelled to take up arms to defend their existence. Their aim is not to crush or destroy their enemies and, in proposing peace negotiations, they are supported by the consciousness of their military and economic strength.

Austro-German Dispute

The peace proposals made by Germany are regarded as an admission that the confidence of the Central Powers is shaken. They are connected with the rumors of a grave dispute between the Kaiser and the Austrian Emperor.

A Dutch correspondent who was present in the Reichstag says that Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, at the conclusion of his speech, sank back to his chair, completely overcome and scarcely conscious of his surroundings. The Chamber was extremely excited, while the whole city was in a state of feverish tension and unprecedented crowds had gathered outside the Reichstag.

War Stocks Dropping

Tokio, December 13. (Eastern News Agency).—Since the report about the peace proposals of Germany there has been a great fall in the price of shares on the stock market and an uneasy condition has appeared. The market has been suspended until December 16 at the Stock Exchange.

The market in the United States has also become confused and markets have been suspended.

With regard to the German peace proposals, diplomatic circles in Tokio observe that, under the conditions proposed by Germany, the Powers allied with Japan will absolutely not accept the terms.

Brazil Neutral League

Washington, Nov. 12.—Full details of the recent proposal to the Brazilian Parliament by the Brazilian Society of International Law for the formation of a league of neutrals to resist trade restrictions and other encroachments by belligerents were made public here today through the official gazette of the Brazilian Parliament. The proposed league would consist of all present neutrals.

The society, in an exhaustive report, reviews the constant encroachments by belligerents on neutral trade, and urges the Government to take immediate steps to secure the co-operation of all neutrals for the declaration of a uniform series of neutral rights and for the enforcement of the same. Rights suggested are the immunity of enemy goods under a neutral flag, complete liberty of trade between neutral nations regardless of ultimate destination, freedom from any extra-territorial action, such as blacklisting, and the forbidding of any alien to inform a foreign Government of matters which might lead to belligerent restrictions.

Violations of these rights would be met, under the plan, first by the withdrawal by the neutral league of the privilege of friendly treatment for the offending nation, including the trade rights. In case a Consular or diplomatic official should be concerned, his credentials would be handed him at once. If this proved unavailing, hostilities might follow.

The report, while directed at both belligerents, is more concerned with British trade violations. The efforts of the United States are recognised, but are declared ineffective. The allied blockade is particularly criticised. A case is cited in which a Brazilian vessel from the United States to Brazil is alleged to have been seized, taken into Martinique, and forced to surrender some of its merchandise bound to Brazil.

The Brazilian report created great interest in official circles here. South American nations have been hard hit by British trade restrictions, and some time ago an official announcement was made in Chile that the Chilean Ambassadors to the United States, Brazil, and Argentina had been requested to seek joint action on the British blacklist. The State Department here, however, says that as yet neither the Chilean nor the Brazilian proposal has been definitely submitted.

Some Neutral Opinions

Comment by Danish and Dutch papers on the recent speech of the German Chancellor in the Reichstag as given out by the Overseas News Agency follows: The Politiken (Copenhagen) says:

"Of all the speeches made during the war by leading statesmen, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg's last speech is the most remarkable, because, coming from the German side, it goes farthest into the future, thus awkening hopes for a new order of society when the principles of peace are triumphant."

The Politiken, according to the Overseas Agency, says that the most important points of the speech are the declaration that the Chancellor had never mentioned the annexation of Belgium as Germany's intention, and the general remark that the policy of might could not be the basis for an efficient international League of Peace. The Chancellor thus indicated ways which "reach far beyond the discussion of war aims."

The Nieuws Van Den Dag (Amsterdam) is quoted as welcoming the Chancellor's answer to Viscount Grey's suggestion of guarantees for a lasting peace, declaring that "a league of the States for peace would have scant value if it were organised merely after the wish of the Entente powers."

The Tijd (Amsterdam) says: "Whoever reads the German Chancellor's speech with unprejudiced mind, as is proper in these times, cannot help being convinced that it has to do with an honest and sincere man. Whoever reads the Chancellor's explanations regarding the diplomatic relations preceding the war cannot but believe in the exactitude of the Chancellor's statements. David Lloyd George's move on the chessboard of the immediate future has been answered by a move which is not inferior—'the enemy wants Constantinople, and I never said that we want to keep Belgium.'"

The Overseas Agency also quotes from the Stockholm's Bagblad, which points out as three important diplomatic disclosures in the Chancellor's speech—first, the Russian document of 1912, "proving that the mobilisation meant war;" second, Germany's appeal to Vienna during "Black Week," and, third, the assurance given by England and France to Russia as to the domination of Constantinople and the Bosphorus. This newspaper, says the Overseas, expresses preference for the matter of fact tone used by the Chancellor to the Utopian assurances about the freedom of the whole world as given by Mr. Asquith.

The Svenska Morgenbladet (Stockholm) declares that the Chancellor's speech was a very strong one and that it proved that the love of peace always proclaimed by the Entente's leading men was insincere.

Germany and France

New York, Nov. 11.—An Englishman well known in London, New York, and Paris, who arrived yesterday on the American liner St. Paul from Liverpool, was emphatic in his assertion that Germany was secretly making overtures for peace to France.

"When I was in Paris two weeks ago," he said, "I was informed by an official of high rank, whose word was indisputable, that every two weeks during the previous two months Germany had sent communications to the French Government asking for an armistice with a view to discussing terms of peace.

"The German artillery is not up to the standard it was earlier in the war and the soldiers do not fight with the enthusiasm they did. Both officers and men of the German Army are tired of the war and the Allies know it.

"It is also known to the Allies that Germany induced Ambassador Gerard to go to Washington and ask President Wilson to open up negotiations for peace. In return the promise was made to him that the U-boat warfare would not be waged in a ruthless manner pending his absence. This was the reason why Lloyd George made his famous speech about carrying on the war to the end, with a double object in view, one to stop a peace propaganda emanating from the United States and the other to keep down the paficists at home."

Bulgar View of Peace

Berlin, Nov. 12.—At recent confidential conferences with members of the Government Party the Bulgar Premier, M. Radoslavoff, made some significant utterances regarding peace, according to the Sofia correspondent of the Vossische Zeitung, characterising the situation of the Vierbund in all theaters of war as splendid. M. Radoslavoff said the resurrection of the Kingdom of Poland was to be regarded as a great step toward peace, the Central Powers having proved thereby that they did not desire to retain occupied Russian territories. Moreover, it would pave the way to future good relations with Russia and considerably lighten the peace negotiations.

M. Radoslavoff finally intimated that peace would not come as the result of a conference, but that it would probably be signed on the battlefield.

According to the Azest's Sofia correspondent, M. Radoslavoff told various Ministers and representatives yesterday in the course of a general survey of the military and political situations that Bulgaria's situation continued to be especially favorable, and that operations in all theaters of war were developing in such a way that a decisive turn for the better for the enemy was quite out of the question, and that the Central Powers were certain of victory.

According to this particular well informed Hungarian correspondent, M. Radoslavoff said further that the war would probably come to an end without any particular peace conference, meaning that peace would very likely be restored by direct negotiations between the States involved.

MORE IRON CROSSES

(Ostasiatische Lloyd War Service)

Berlin, December 9.—The German Emperor has announced that the Iron Cross of the Second Class will be bestowed upon persons who especially distinguish themselves in the national auxiliary service.

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Big Annual Campaign to Boost Membership; This Time The Mark Is 3,000

Mercury, Mars, Venus, Jupiter, Saturn, Neptune, Uranus and Mother Earth—these are the names that are now much used these days by the members of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. A visit to the lobby of the building on Szechuen Road shows a plan of the Universe with the central sun around which the above planets are circulating. Saturn is ahead at present in the race around Old Sol but the others are pushing hard for position.

This is all in connection with the Ninth Annual Membership Campaign in which eight teams represented respectively by the planets are making an effort to extend the membership of the Association among the leading Chinese of the Settlements and vicinity. The goal of the campaign is to bring the membership up to the total of 3,000 as an aggregate for the Men's and Boys' Divisions. There are eight teams with a captain and twenty-five working members to each. Among them are leading members who are most active in promoting the welfare of the organisation. They are giving largely of time and energy to bringing their friends into the membership. The captains are as follows:—

Mercury—Captain C. C. Nieh, of the Heng Foong Cotton Mills.

Venus—Captain W. F. Wong, of the Venus Insurance Co.

Earth—Captain K. M. Wong, of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway.

Mars—Captain P. T. Sha, of Maitland and Co.

Jupiter—Captain K. C. Linn, of the Y.M.C.A. High School.

Saturn—Captain S. Z. Zee, of Arnhold, Karberg and Co.

Uranus—Captain H. T. Soong, of the Bank of China.

Neptune—Captain H. C. Chow, of the Shanghai Optical Co.

An important feature of the campaign is the weekly team meeting when the workers of each team get together around the tea or dinner table and discuss how to land the most points and in this way win the prize.

The Campaign opened on December 6 and will close on Wednesday evening, January 3, at 8 p.m. Points are given according to the number of dollars brought in, with a bonus for those who bring in points early. For the term of the campaign membership is offered as follows—Full $12; Limited $6; Business Men's $25; Sustaining $50. The last are those who desire to contribute an amount to help in making possible the work of the Association for the young men of the community. There are sixty of these at the present time but it is hoped by the workers to double this number.

At the close of the first week of the campaign results were posted in the lobby. The large number of points gained showed that there had been the keenest interest in the work and indicated that the result will be very closely contested this year. The standing at 6 p.m. on December 13 was as follows:—

Saturn	864
Mercury	691
Mars	642
Neptune	559
Jupiter	534
Venus	470
Earth	369
Uranus	159
Total	4,288

The planets on the disk are now arranged as above but will be moved ahead each day as the points are brought in. There is now keen expectation on the result of the second week's work.

Mr. Liang Chi-chiao, the distinguished Chinese scholar, has been brought in as a member by Mr. C. C. Nieh and is to deliver an address in Chinese to the members of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. this evening at 8 o'clock, on "The Cultivation of Character." The admission will be by membership ticket. The whole membership was elated over the news that the famous scholar had joined up.

Rev. K. Matsuno, a well-known pastor of one of the leading Churches in Tokio, who has been the Executive Secretary of the United Evangelistic Committee in Japan, and is Secretary of the Japan Continuation Committee, is spending this week in Shanghai. He will speak this evening at the Japanese Y.M.C.A. in Quinsan Gardens.

Shipping Bulletins

The steamer Themis, according to a Manila report, is aground at Colon on the west breakwater. Her holds one, two and three are flooded as a result of the accident. A diver was investigating the extent of the damage. The ship was loaded with sugar from Iloilo. She is a vessel of 7,402 tons gross, and was built in 1911, by W. Doxford and Sons, Ltd., at Sunderland. Her port of registry is Tonsberg, Norway, and her dimensions are length 445 ft., breadth 60 ft., and depth 29.2 ft.

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Reports from Manila shipping circles state that the negotiations that were pending between the Great Northern Steamship Co., and certain Norwegian shipping interests for the charter of the s.s. Minnesota, having fallen through, the ship will be again seen in Eastern waters. She will be returned to Seattle and placed in the Pacific trade. The vessel has had sixteen new boilers of the Heine type installed.

Chinese Press Reports

The Shun Pao: A Presidential mandate appointing Hsiung Hsi-ling as Special Envoy to Japan to confer the Grand Order on the Japanese Emperor has been issued.

In discussing the Laohsikai affair, Dr. Wu insisted upon the restoration of the original condition, and the French Charge d'Affaires wired to his home government for instruction. He has now received a reply stating that M. Conte, the French Minister on leave, had already left for China on the 10th inst, and that an amicable settlement of the case will be reached after his arrival in Peking.

It is learned that the negotiations about the Chenchiatung affair will be resumed on Friday, December 15.

A telegram from Chengtu reports that Wang Chih-tsiang, Commissioner for the investigation of Szechuen affairs, will soon arrive in the province and that Lu Pei-king and Tai Kan are again on good terms, all bad feeling having been smoothed away. The message adds that Tai Kan has already assumed his office as Civil Governor of Szechuen at Chungking as previously arranged. The Provincial Assembly and the military parties are now all joining hands, thus ushering in a happy day to the relief of the long-suffering Szechuenese.

The Sinwanpao: The attempt of the Japanese to establish police at Amoy, Fukien, has caused great indignation among the Chinese there, and an anti-Japanese demonstration is imminent. The Provincial Assembly has despatched two deputies to Peking.

A surveying corps will be sent to Hunan by the Central Government to commence the preliminary survey of the Chuchow-Chinchow line.

Rumors prevail that General Chang Hsun has asked the President by wire for the dissolution of the Parliament.

The Sinwanpao reports:—Vice-President Feng Kuo-chang wired to President Li Yuan-hung with the provincial Military Governors, asking him to urge that the new Constitution be promulgated on New Year's Day of 1917. Thus the President will send for the leaders of all the political parties to come to his palace when he will advise them to enable the Constitution to be compiled at an early date by amicably settling their differences of views in order to permit the Constitution being promulgated before January 10, 1917. On December 13 the nine political parties elected one delegate each to draft the general principles of the provincial system which will be included in the Constitution in the House of Representatives.

The Sinwanpao reports:—The Peking Government has decided to consolidate the armies and will first deal with eight provinces, namely Yunnan, Kweichow, Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Szechuen, Hunan, Shensi and Chekiang and the following figures will apply to different provinces:—

Yunnan:—Two divisions and one mixed brigade with $4,150,000.

Kwangsi, Kweichow and Chekiang:—One division and one mixed brigade with $2,400,000 each.

Szechuen and Kwangtung:—Three divisions with $5,250,000 each.

Hunan and Shensi:—Two divisions with $3,700,000 each.

A Canton telegram to the Sinwanpao reports:—The Chinese authorities at Canton have raised a loan from a Dutch merchant, Bamen, for a sum of $7,000,000 but the Dutch merchant has asked for the confirmation of the loan from the Department of Finance in Peking. The Director of the Board of Finance at Canton has sent the sub-manager of the Bank of China at Canton to proceed to Peking to get the counter signature of the Peking authorities.

RETALIATE ON ITALY

(Ostasiatische Lloyd War Service)

Berlin, December 9.—The German Government, as a measure of reprisal against the Italian legislation, has issued an order forbidding payments to Italy and admitting a receivership for Italian business enterprises in Germany.

KAISERS EXCHANGE VISITS

(Ostasiatische Lloyd War Service)

Berlin, December 9.—The German Emperor has returned the visit of Emperor Charles. Emperor William was accompanied by Field Marshal von Hindenburg when visiting the camp of Emperor Charles at the Austro-Hungarian headquarters.

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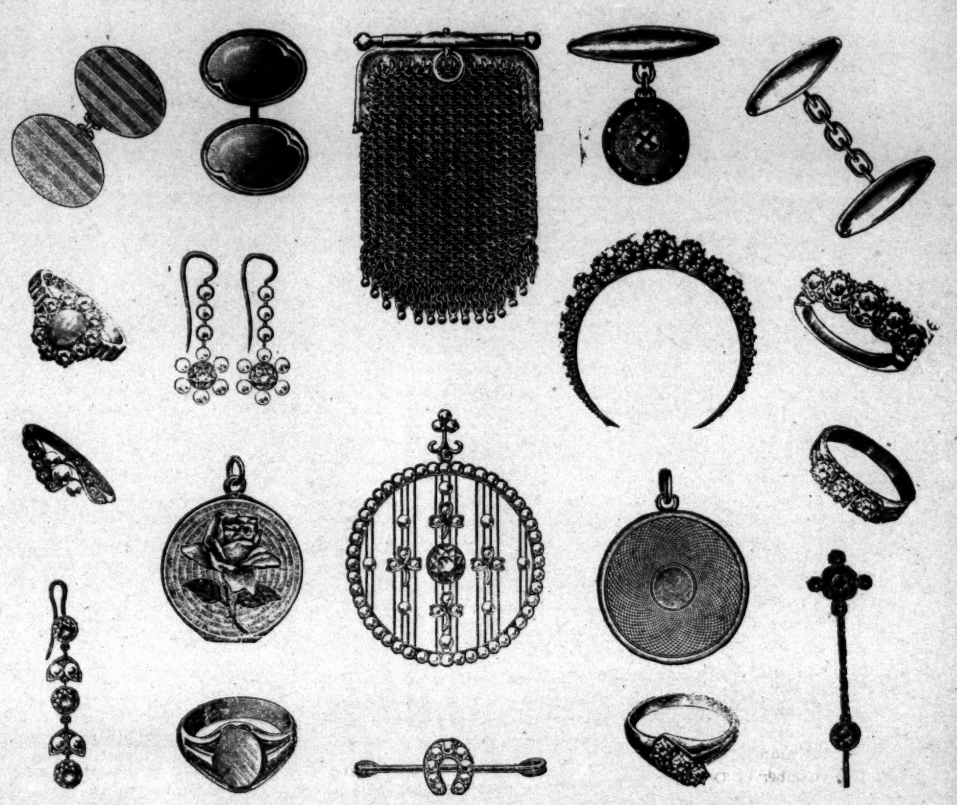

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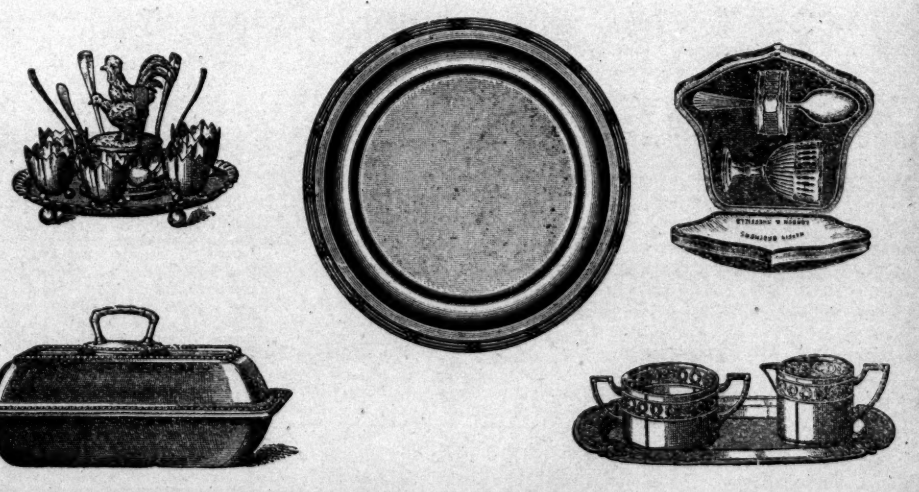

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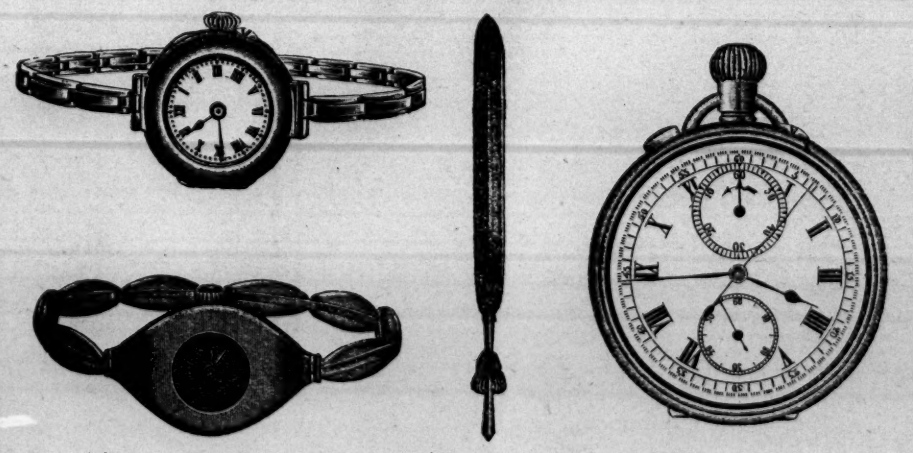

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Times Says German Prisoner Of Highest Rank Ought To Be Similarly Treated

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 13.—The Times says that Great Britain should immediately intimate to Germany that, if an attempt is made to harm Captain Blaikie, of the s.s. Caledonia, a German officer prisoner of the highest rank will be treated similarly.

The British India s.s. Tanfield and the Belgian s.s. Keltier (2,360 tons), previously reported sunk, have arrived in port.

The Norwegian steamer Agder (304 tons), the Danish steamer Inger (786 tons), a Swedish steamer and a Danish barque have been sunk.

Briand Still Chief Of French Ministry

Leads Cabinet of Ten, War Committee of Five; Forecasts New Action in East

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Paris, December 13.—The new Ministry consists of: M. Briand, Premier and Minister for Foreign Affairs; M. Ribot, Minister of Finance; M. Viviani, Minister of Justice, Public Works and Instruction; General Lyautey (ex-Governor of Morocco), Minister of War; M. Clementel, Minister of National Economy and Commerce; M. Doumergue, Minister of the Colonies; M. Thomas, Minister of War Production and Armaments; M. Malvy, Minister of the Interior; Admiral Lacaze, Minister of Marine; M. Herriot (Mayor of Lyons), Minister of Civilian and Military Revictualling.

The Cabinet numbers ten members. A War Committee has been appointed, comprising M. Briand, M. Ribot, General Lyautey, Admiral Lacaze and M. Thomas. General Joffre, as Generalissimo, will attend the Committee as technical Military Adviser. Technical Directors will be appointed for mines and merchant shipping.

In the Chamber of Deputies, today, the Premier, M. Briand, outlined the re-organisation of the War Committee with extended powers, saying: "Without exaggerated optimism, we more than ever entertain the conviction of the certainty of our victory. It is true that valiant Rumania has been compelled to give way. That is a sad business, but her army, supported by the Russian armies, will recover, for the Eastern question is far from settled and tomorrow a new front will be mobilised on the enemy's front."

The Premier foreshadowed the suppression of the sale of spirits.

BULGARIANS BEATEN

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Paris, December 13.—Violent artillery actions and lively fighting occurred north of Monastir. The Italians repulsed a Bulgarian counter-attack.

London, December 13.—Official.—On the occasion of the capture of Monastir, the King cordially congratulated the Servian Commander and his valiant army struggling shoulder-to-shoulder with their allies.

The Emperor of Russia, in a similar message, said that he was persuaded that their common efforts would be crowned with complete victory, assuring Servia free development of her political life and the realisation of her national aspirations.

SZECHUEN'S TROUBLES

Reuter's Pacific Service to The China Press

Chengtu, December 14.—Lately, the Military Governor recalled a number of incompetent magistrates and appointed new men, with instructions to put down robbers and opium growing. Yesterday, there was a violent uproar in the Provincial Assembly between the supporters of Tai Kan, the Civil Governor and the supporters of Lo Pei-kin. The former insisted that the appointments were not legal and the latter maintained that they were perfectly legal, as Tai Kan had not come to Chengtu. Tables were thumped and upset and stools thrown at each other and the House broke up in disorder.

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SPORTS ◎ Latest News of Athletic World ◎ GOSSIP

Committee Chosen For The American Athletic Club; Plans Formed

At the meeting of the Shanghai American Athletic Club held Wednesday the following executive committee was elected, which will serve until the first annual meeting to be held in the latter part of January, 1917: Messrs. G. F. Ashley, Chairman; O. D. Rasmussen, H. D. Rodger, C. E. Hall, J. E. Pennywitt, H. W. Squires, H. A. Vanderbeek.

When the votes were counted, it was found that Messrs. Ashley and Rasmussen had tied for the chairmanship. The matter was decided by tossing a coin, with the result stated above.

In taking the chair, Mr. Ashley made a statement of the aims of the Club as follows:—

"The name 'club' is somewhat of a misnomer for the organisation, but it was decided upon in order to avoid being confused with the American Association of China, whose activities are rather more serious than ours.

"Our object, as stated in our constitution, is the promotion of general athletic sports among the Americans of Shanghai. There is to be no attempt, at least for the present, to be a Club in the sense of having quarters and provision for the entertainment of members and guests.

"It has often been observed that, in general, Americans are in the habit of entering very strenuously into various sports up to the age of about twenty-one years, then suddenly abandoning activity for a sedentary life and indulging in sports only as onlookers. This is in marked contrast to the British idea of keeping active and physically fit until as late in life as possible. Physicians tell us that climatic conditions and habits of life in Shanghai are such as to make it absolutely necessary for us to take regular and serious exercise in order to keep healthy and efficient.

"The principle reason for the activity of those interested in organising this Club was to get and give opportunities for all Americans to enter into some form of sport for at least a part of every year. When we get the organisation working as we hope to eventually, it will mean that no able-bodied American will have any excuse for not taking exercise for the lack of a sport to give him incentive.

"The question has been raised as to our attitude or relation to the Baseball Club. I feel that I am safe in stating that the American Athletic Club has no desire to interfere or detract from the activities of the Baseball Club in any way—but rather the intention is to give the Baseball Club active support, as, in regard to this particular branch of sport, it is taking care of the situation admirably. There is a possibility that the American Athletic Club will enter a team in the mid-week games hitherto confined to Red and Blue Sox teams.

"With the opening of the Basketball League this afternoon with two games at the Town Hall we find basket-ball well started. The next move will be to organise Soccer and possibly hockey all depending on the number of men who wish to play these games."

It was decided by the meeting that dues paid this year will cover the entire year 1917.

Dr. S. A. Ransom, President of the American Association of China and commanding officer of the American Company, S.V.C., sent word to the meeting that although he was prevented from being present, he desired to have his name enrolled as a charter member of the Club. It was decided to regard as charter members all who join the Club before Jan. 1, 1917.

Basket Ball

Two games of basket ball were served up to a gallery of more than three hundred Chinese and Foreign spectators last evening at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. The second team of the Shanghai American School was defeated by the Training Directors, and the Physical Directors first team was nosed out 30 to 27 by the team from the U.S.S. Helena. Enthusiasm ran to a high pitch especially in the latter game which was fast and close. It seemed as though everybody was covered all the time and when someone would slip away and score a goal the house went wild. The Chinese are coming to like this game of basketball both on the gym floor and in the gallery. The scores follow:

American School 10		Training Directors 21
Paul	forward	Sung
Paxton	„	Woo
Myers	center	Yang
Brewster	guard	Ling
Selden	„	Ching
		Yao

Field Goals: Paxton, Sung, Woo five, Yang three, Yao. Free throws: Paxton 1, Myers 3, Yang 1.

U.S.S. Helena 30		Physical Directors 27
Irwin	forward	Ko
Hollister	„	McCloy
Montgomery	center	Swan
McDonald	guard	Hoh
Scully	„	Tsu
Lundy	„	
Collins	„	
Gans	„	

Ko 2, McCloy 3, Swan 1, Hoh 3.

Field Goals: Montgomery 3, McDonald 2, Lundy 5, Collins 1, Gans 1. Free Throws: Irwin 1, Hollister 1, Lundy 3, Gans 1, McCloy 7, Swan 2.

Mr. J. G. Blyth, General Secretary of the Navy Y.M.C.A. refereed in a very impartial and efficient manner.

Red Sox Beat Buglers

The match between the American Red Sox and the Buglers which was originally scheduled to come off today at the Town Hall was played at 9 o'clock last night, owing to some of the men in the competing teams not finding it convenient to turn out according to the previous schedule. As it was, the Buglers could only muster 3 men in their line-up and had to be reinforced by two outsiders. The total scores in the game were 29 to 15 in favor of the American team.

In the first half Red Sox made 17 points, Morrison leading with 4 field goals to Woods 3 and 1 foul goal. The remaining goal for their side was scored by Britton. The Buglers' points in this inning were 4, being for a goal each made by Ferris and Diniz.

The second part of the game started with the Red Sox having only 4 men on their side, Hykes having had to leave at half time. The score was more even in this, the Buglers earning 11 points to the Red Sox 13. Morrison who was playing combination fielder and guard at the same time, was again the best scorer for his side, with 4 goals and a foul try to his credit. Ollerdessen for the Buglers placed 3 field goals and 1 foul goal.

Tonight's game at the Town Hall will be between the Athletics and B. Co.

Line-up:

Red Sox.		Buglers.
Morrison	F	Ferris
Woods	F	Sequeira
Hykes	C	Diniz
Britton	G	Ollerdessen
Luke	G	Figueiredo

Billiards

Porter Qualifies

As was expected C. W. Porter went into the third round of the championship last night, defeating E. D. Bush 600-457. The feature of the game was the loser's gallant struggle against a better man. Mr. W. S. Campbell refereed. Porter went to the table 66 times, his average being just over 9. He also just managed to scrape home with the big break of the game, a 42, Bush having previously registered a 41. Porter led all the way and after being careless for the first hundred or so he tightened up considerably and gave little away. But he was not at his best. Bush played a very fine game indeed.

The chief breaks were:—

Porter:—20, 27, 27, 38, 20, 26, 30, 24, 24, 21, 29 and 42.

Bush:—25, 28, 20, 26, 41, 21 and 32.

Bush averaged seven which is the next best to Porter's in the championship so far.

Playing in an inter-league game last night J. E. Grant, of the Marine Engineers Institute, put up an 86 break.

Today's Games

Three games are down for decision today.

At 5.30 G. M. Boyes meets J. V. Jensen at the Marine Engineers' Institute.

After dinner A. P. Stokes meets H. S. Smyth at the Masonic Club and G. M. P. Remedios plays R. P. Phillips at the Institute.

Golf

The Club v. Shanghai Scottish

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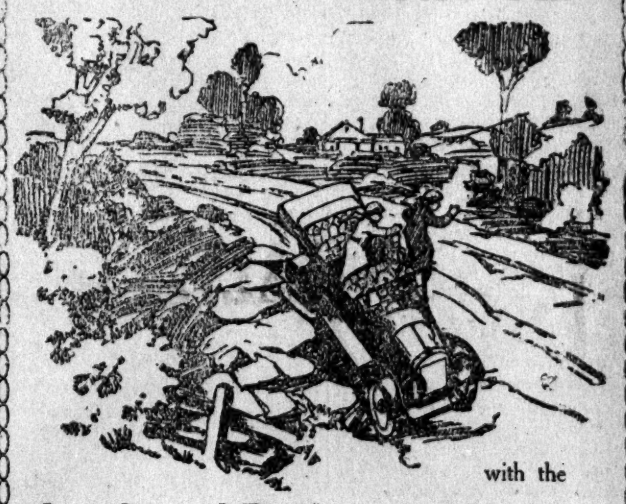

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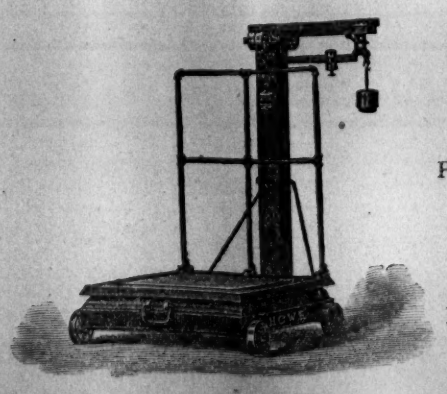

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How The Peace Proposals Are Viewed

YESTERDAY'S cables dealing with the German peace proposals are of unusual interest. The note struck by the leading newspapers of London and Paris, as reported by Reuter's, is that of scornful and indignant rejection. This perhaps was to be expected, though a lighter treatment would not have come as a surprise.

"The offer is regarded as a cunning attempt to sow dissension among the Allies by proposing terms agreeable to some and unacceptable to others," says Reuter's in summing up. To which of the Allies are the terms considered to be agreeable?

There is no intimation of the character of the notes that are being exchanged by the Entente Governments, but they are in consultation, and probably in another 24 hours the nature of their reply to Germany will be known. It may take the form of a flat refusal to enter upon negotiations at this time, or it may submit a counter proposal.

To those who deal in stocks and bonds, the proposal of the Central Powers evidently constitutes a serious step towards an early conclusion of peace. Rubber dropped six pence a pound, some of the shipping shares in Tokio dropped a hundred points and the Tokio stock exchange closed up shop. There is a report that the New York Stock Exchange also was shut down. Stock exchanges in these days of "War Baby" shares, are nervous, panicky and hysterical, however, and it would be a mistake to attach great importance to their reactions.

Chancellor Bethmann-Hollweg's address to the Reichstag delivered November 9 was regarded in some quarters as being intended to pave a pathway to peace, and in view of the present action of the Central Powers that probably was its object. The New York World (pro-Ally) of November 11, under the caption "Germany a Convert to Peace?" said:

"Bethmann-Hollweg's 'free development also on the seas' is undefined. His assumption that Germany must place herself at the head of any international movement that would succeed is irritating. His harping on the responsibility for beginning the war becomes wearisome, and his ideas of ending it are purposely preposterous.

"But for all this, the Chancellor's announcement that Germany will honorably co-operate in an attempt to insure peace through a league of nations is a world event. It may mean the conversion of the dominant German party from the grim theories of Treitschke and Bernhardi.

"Toward a court of nations Germany has hitherto been not merely opposed but contemptuous. To proposals for limiting the armaments that crushed Europe she replied, before the war, in forced contributions of German capital to multiply the means of destruction. The hard experience of battle has brought a saner realisation of the cost and the futility of armed conflict.

"In the guarded language the Executive of a free Government must use, President Wilson has spoken for the principle, until now abhorrent to Germany, of the court, or committee, of nations. Nowhere on earth could a convert be made of a former scoffer in a post of greater power than the Imperial German Chancellor."

On the same day, the New York American which is one of the string of Hearst newspapers recently barred from Canada, said editorially: "We are able to say, with positive knowledge, that negotiations for separate peace have been twice discussed, within these past few months, by German and Russian secret commissions, meeting in Sweden, and that there is a strong probability of such a peace before the Spring flowers bloom."

From other quarters recently have emanated a steady stream of peace rumors and reports. One given on "undeniable authority" was that Germany and France were exchanging notes; another had Germany again approaching Belgium.

In the best informed Entente circles locally, the opinion is held that peace negotiations will not be entered upon at this time; that it is the intention of the Allies to fight out the war to a decisive conclusion and that the Cabinet changes in Great Britain and Russia and the proposed "tightening up" in France point definitely to this intention.

The next day or two will tell.

Wilson's Political Leadership

(*New York World*)

IN nearly every State Mr. Hughes ran behind his ticket and President Wilson ran ahead of his ticket.

To appreciate the extraordinary political change that has resulted from Mr. Wilson's leadership of the Democratic Party it is necessary only to read the returns in the Presidential elections of the last twenty years.

In 1896 Mr. McKinley's popular plurality over Mr. Bryan was 601,854, Mr. McKinley having 271 votes in the Electoral College to Mr. Bryan's 176.

In 1890 Mr. McKinley's popular plurality was increased to 849,790, his electoral vote being 292 to 155 for Mr. Bryan.

In 1904 the Republican ascendancy increased tremendously. Mr. Roosevelt's popular plurality was 2,545,515, and he had 336 votes in the Electoral College to Judge Parker's 140.

In 1908 the Democratic Party picked up a little but not much. Mr. Taft's popular plurality over Mr. Bryan was 1,269,804. His electoral vote was 321 to Mr. Bryan's 162.

Thus in four successive Presidential elections the smallest Republican plurality in the popular vote was 601,854 and the smallest Republican majority in the Electoral College was 95.

In 1912 the Roosevelt bolt destroyed party lines, and although Mr. Wilson was elected by an enormous majority in the Electoral College, the combined Taft-Roosevelt vote was 7,604,563 against a Wilson vote of only 6,293,019. The Republican-Progressive plurality of the popular vote was 1,311,154, or slightly more than in 1908.

In 1916 the Wilson popular vote is 2,160,000 beyond the previous Democratic record. It is 900,000 more than the Roosevelt-Taft total of 1912. It is more than 400,000 in advance of the reunited Republican Party. There is no more talk of a "Minority President."

Mr. Wilson has put the two parties on an equality again. The great Republican majorities of the last twenty years have been broken, and the country will profit from this restoration of the balance. There is no better assurance of good government than two parties practically equal in power and each at the mercy of the independent vote.

Anecdotes of the Famous

An excellent story is told by Walter Passmore, the comedian, with reference to a friend of his who was studying in order to pass an examination. The father had promised the young man that if he passed successfully he should have fifty pounds to defray the expenses of a trip on the Continent. The student was so certain he would pass that, directly the examination was over, he rushed off to make the preparations for his journey, leaving Mr. Passmore instructions to wire him the result next morning. However, in spite of his confidence, the young fellow failed to pass, and so Mr. Passmore wired as follows:

"Trip off.—Passmore."

"He thought I meant him to 'trip off,'" says Mr. Passmore, "so he did trip off with his father's money in his pocket, and did not find out that he had failed until he met his angry parent on his return. Explanations followed, but next time he stayed to get the result for himself."

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Here is an anecdote of Martha Washington which is extremely interesting. She was entertaining some girl friends and these girls came to breakfast one morning at Mt. Vernon with their hair in curl papers.

The meal proceeded without comment until some French officers were announced. Thereupon the guests started hurriedly for their rooms. But their hostess told them to keep their seats, for any costume good enough for General Washington was good enough for anyone else.

London And Berlin Compared

(Mr. Curtin, who has been ten months in Germany as a Daily Mail eye-witness, contrasts conditions in London and Berlin).

Among the correspondence I am receiving from the British public and the remarks made to me by those with whom I come in contact are always many questions as to comparative conditions in Berlin and London at the present time. I will gladly give my impressions for what they are worth, though I state "right here," as we say in the United States, that my knowledge of England is comparatively slight, while Germany has been my life-study since I was at West Roxbury School, Massachusetts, and during my course at Harvard.

I had studied Germany on the spot on three long visits prior to the war, and I have spent altogether during the war nearly a year and a half there. My knowledge of Great Britain is simply that of an ordinary occasional American tourist before the war, and this is my sixth visit during the war. I will endeavor to describe faithfully what I have seen this last month in London and what I saw when I left Berlin.

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With regard to conditions in the Prussian capital, I would point out that there are signs that things are worse in Germany than when I was there a few weeks ago.

To anyone who know the manœuverings of the German Press Bureau the exploitation of von Bethmann Hollweg's speech of Friday, the fact that it was telegraphed en bloc to even the neediest Dutch newspapers (whose telegraphic charges are defrayed by the German Government) confirms impressions, gathered on leaving, that the pace of the descent was increasing.

On Saturday, too, were issued some alleged casualties deliberately falsifying fact. When the great veil of mystery that shrouds Germany is lifted I believe that it will be found that these casualties have, in true Berlin censor fashion, been delayed, suppressed, and confused. They are believed in by hardly any members of the only thinking party in Germany—the Social Democrats. Daily intercourse with Germans brings to light the fact that Johann, who was killed five months ago, has not been mentioned in any list, and that Heinrich, who was reported wounded, has really been dead six months.

My inquiries on this head largely lay among those connected with the wonderful German hospitals in which I took interest on this as on previous visits. The German army medical service makes no secret of the fact that the Government is keeping unpleasant realities from the people. As one of them put it to me: "It is a——shame that the over-worked condition of our surgeons and doctors should be hidden beneath these lying official lists. We are badly paid, badly fed, carrying on without supplies of india-rubber gloves and other essentials. We are not popular with either the Army or the public. We have been killed in large numbers. Each one of us is doing the work of three, and those of the public who believe these rose-colored lists wonder what we are grumbling at."

Two doctors with whom I became acquainted were at Verdun from February 21 to the end of April. They put down the German losses at over six hundred thousand for that period, of whom during the first fortnight a great number were killed. The wounded were wounded by French shells and terribly mangled. Of slightly wounded cases there were few. The Germans say that a machine gun hurts but a cannon kills. The French punished the Germans round Verdun with shells, not as a rule with machine guns.

In offering these remarks I would point out that I am comparing London in the second week of November with Berlin of six weeks ago.

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I make these preparatory remarks to point out that things are changing for the worse in Germany. They cannot, even with Rumanian supplies captured, improve permanently. On the day of your Lord Mayor's Show I was trying to return to the West End by the south side of the river, and suddenly halted in front of a butcher's shop. I had not seen so much meat at one time since I left home.

The contrast set me thinking Here are shops filled with good things: here are no long waiting lines of tired women and children standing out, rain or shine, to get the blessed bread, or potatoes, or weekly half-pound of meat. For in Berlin directly you get away from the aristocratic residential quarter you come across those endless queues. Looking down some of the streets one can see five or six. They vary in length from ten to fifty yards. The scene is repeated in every German city.

Everywhere in Berlin nowadays are the wounded. For a long time they were kept away from the capital itself. Gradually every hall in the surrounding towns became full and the Berlin authorities were forced to take over restaurants, school-houses, concert-halls, and indeed every building in which men could be housed.

Your wounded look much tidier than the Germans and are cheerful. There must now be a considerable number of wounded in these islands, but although I have been all over London there can be very few here by comparison with Berlin. The clothing of the German wounded is of the cheapest, consisting of a striped canvas suit; none of those so attired is allowed to enter drinking places. The convalescent wear their ordinary uniform—but not the smart clothes in which they marched to Brussels in 1914.

Another contrast is the amount of heavy work that is being done by the women of Berlin. Here in London I notice women conductors of street cars and omnibuses; I saw a woman scavenger in a provincial town the other day; you have women ticket collectors, women operating elevators, clerking in banks. Yesterday I read that women are becoming railroad porters.

All these things happened in Berlin long, long ago—as far back as September, 1914. It is the boast of the Germans that their building constructions are going on as usual. There are no silent and half-finished buildings such as the great hotel I saw in Piccadilly and the County Council Hall on the other side of Westminster Bridge, on both of which work seems to have stopped altogether. The construction of the Nord-Sud Bahn of the underground railway, for linking up the north and south sections of Berlin, has proceeded right along, the women doing the heavy work of navvies.

The German Government is not too proud of this fact. An American kinematograph operator, Mr. Edwards, of Mr. Hearst's papers, was desirous of taking a film of these women navvies—heavy, sad-looking creatures they are. The Government stepped in and suggested that while they had no objection to a personally conducted and posed picture, in which the women would no doubt smile to order, they could not permit the realities of this unwomanly task to be shown in the form of a truth-telling moving picture.

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There is another great piece of contrast. Though I have looked about carefully, I have seen no prisoners at work. The official figures explain that you have more of their prisoners than they have of yours. Tommy is well to the fore almost everywhere in Germany, working long hours and often at unpleasant tasks. I did not notice any British prisoners working in Berlin itself, but more than once I saw little squads of them being marched through the streets on their way from one station to another, and I can assure you that the hearts of the neutrals went out to them. They bore themselves gallantly, head erect, and with a cheerfulness that the German does not comprehend and much dislikes. On another occasion I saw British officer prisoners crossing the Potsdamer Platz on their way to Potsdam Station. They were the object of intense curiosity and were surrounded by a sea of Germans. There was no molestation or manifestation either way. They were smartly dressed and obviously attracted the feminine eye, as I gathered by the outspoken remarks of some of the Backfische (flappers) around me.

While I was in Germany some excellent letters from one of Lord Northcliffe's mysterious neutrals appeared in The Times. We read them with great relish in Berlin, because they were absolutely accurate. One of them spoke of the unreality of life in Berlin. Superficially, and until you want something to eat or ride in a taxicab, Berlin at night is gay. London at first sight is appallingly gloomy in the evening and foreigners hardly care to leave their hotels. But I find that behind the gloom and darkness there is plenty of spontaneous gaiety at the theaters and other places of entertainment. There is plenty of food, no peace talk, and absolute confidence. Great efforts are being made by the German Government to keep up the spirits of the people. No public entertainer need go to the war at all. The opera is carried on exactly as in peace time, though I confess that my material soul found it difficult to enjoy "Tristan" on a long and monotonous diet of sardines, potatoes, cheese, and fresh-water fish—chiefly pike and carp. A humorous American friend used to laugh at the situation—the brilliantly dressed house, officers in their extremely handsome grey uniforms, ladies, some of them with too many diamonds and—very little to eat.

Getting away from the opera is a question of tramway-car. There are just a few taxicabs running on worn-out solid tires. One could see them diminish daily. The German soldiers complain bitterly that their important transport service has been heavily handicapped by the rubber shortage. The substitute they are using, which contains about 6 to 10 per cent of real rubber, is not a great success.

In the automobile quarters of Berlin shop after shop is filled with handsome cars for which there are no purchasers and which are tireless.

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The vitality of London, the immense stream of traffic, the tall Australians and New Zealanders, clean-cut Canadians, dogged-looking English and Scots, the handsome young officers, the air of real confidence and abundance, strike me every time I leave my hotel for a walk, and the comparison with the deserted roads of Berlin makes a newly arrived foreigner nervous in crossing one of your whizzing main thoroughfares. You can walk across most streets in Berlin reading a newspaper, and those who remember Berlin before the war will realise the difference.

So far I have heard no bell-ringing and seen no flag displays in London, although since I have been here the advances and captures of prisoners on the western front would have afforded the Germans occasions for half a dozen such displays. Please imagine the flagging and ringing in Berlin if the Allied advance at Verdun had been a German advance in the same locality!

The newspaper cries here are different. Here it appears to be the custom to shout the name of the paper. At every corner in Berlin old women and old men announce "attacks of twenty divisions of English repulsed on the Somme" and the rest of it. When things are going unusually badly on the Somme the old familiar cry of "terrible Russian losses" croaks on hour after hour.

One can get a good idea of the temper of the German people and von Bethmann Hollweg's consequent outburst by standing outside such a place as the Kriegsakademie, where the lists of wounded are displayed in small type. There are people around them all day anxiously watching the walls. I spent an hour one afternoon pretending to look through the lists and hearing what was said. On no occasion did any persons discover the particular friend or relative for whom they were looking. The people were, of course, poor folks, because the official alleged casualty lists can be bought in section, the proceeds going to the German Red Cross. The attitude of the poor in these places is that of utter hopelessness and discontent.

All Americans coming to London like to go and visit your East End, of which they have read so much. So out of curiosity I had a long tramp the other day to revisit Whitechapel and its vicinity in war time. To the untravelled American Whitechapel conjures up visions of crime and pauperism. But, during wartime at any rate, those seeking sensation are woefully disappointed. As I saw it the other afternoon it is a picture of prosperous activity. Well-dressed soldiers in khaki from all over the Empire were escorting fair admirers; shops packed to repletion with food that would be a luxury in Berlin's West End; no beggars; no out-of-works; none of the ranting revolutionary Socialists at street corners that one might expect.

The attitude of Londoners, so far as I know them, towards the war is altogether different from that of Berliners. Having to take most of my meals in restaurants, mixing with people in the tube railways and on an occasional visit to a club, I have not heard the war discussed to anything like the extent it would be in similar places in Germany. Perhaps it is because the English people have such quiet voices that one is unable to hear them, but whenever I do hear them they do not seem to be particularly discussing the war. At a Stock Exchange restaurant whither I was taken by a friend the other day I asked him what people would be talking about, and without eavesdropping it was very obvious that they were not talking about the war. I do not hear the eternal food discussions here, though the prices in the shop windows are high enough; whereas, as I have already stated, the two words recurrent throughout the whole of Germany are "food" and "peace." They even break through the censorship now and again and get into the newspapers.

When I first came to England during the war I thought that this detachment of mind was a want of enthusiasm, and truly I am convinced that in the earlier months of the war, and for some time afterwards, many people I met here had no idea of the size of the undertaking before them. That cannot be so today, when every family has one or more members in one of the Services. Yet the Englishman at home goes on very much as usual and is as placid as he has always been.

You even continue your games. There are few ball games in Germany today, partly because there is no india-rubber. Lawn tennis came to a standstill early last year. Here in London I see golfers at the railway stations on the way to their game, and plenty of football playing on Saturday afternoons.

Then, again, it is obvious that London is doing real business while Berlin is practically doing only war business. It does not need the evidence of your figures of imports and exports to prove that. That great human center in front of the Mansion House seems to me to display very little difference from its aspect in peace time, and, arriving at Liverpool-street Station the other morning by train, I was one of a throng pouring out of the station, which seemed to be exactly as numerous as it was before the war, including, if I may say so, an astounding number of young men in civilian clothing.

The ladies who are so busy shopping in Oxford-street, Regent-street, and Kensington do not have to go to the police station to obtain a permit to buy a pair of stockings, and your big stores are hives filled with people buying real articles without police permits, whereas the Berlin ladies are often obliged to get a police permit to buy a substitute. The ladies carry special card cases for their permits. I was amused to observe that as one month succeeds another and the number of permits is increased so these card cases have been enlarged until they have now become little bags.

All this shows foresight on the part of the Germans, but it also shows me that of which every pro-Ally neutral living in Germany is convinced: that military and naval activity, combined with blockade pressure, will force more and more squeals from German politicians, and eventually bring the war within some measurable distance of termination.

Attar of Roses

The American Consul at Sofia, D. J. Murphy, finds time to write a report on Bulgaria's "most ancient and most attractive industry," the production of attar of roses. Time was when this most poetic of the perfumes came from Persia or Ind. It was fancied as carried on camels to the sea. Later the rumor spread that attar of roses was a stranger to the rose, being made by spectacled German chemists from barrels of coal tar. But roses still bloom to be bottled, and Bulgaria is the boss raiser of them. The rose district is on the south slope of the Balkans. There, 1,300 feet above sea level, a district longer than Long Island and twice as wide is devoted to roses red and roses white. In the Rose valley, where there are 20,000 acres of the flowers, the atmosphere is like that of a florist's doorway.

The young bush is planted eighteen inches deep in a mixture of earth and manure. In May of the third year it blooms and is a paying property for the next twenty years. Every year about 8,000,000,000 roses go to the distillers. They weigh perhaps 20,000 tons, for there are about 200 roses to a pound. Forty thousand roses will produce an ounce of the attar. Ten years ago Bulgaria distilled 225,000 ounces, but this year, owing to war or weather, only half that amount was produced. Paris, London and New York have been the market. Bulgaria's friend Germany makes her own attar, some of it from roses.

The distillery mixture is twenty pounds of roses and fifteen gallons of water. From this comes thirty pounds of rose water, which is redistilled to get the concentrated extract. The attar is finally skimmed from the surface of the concentrate.

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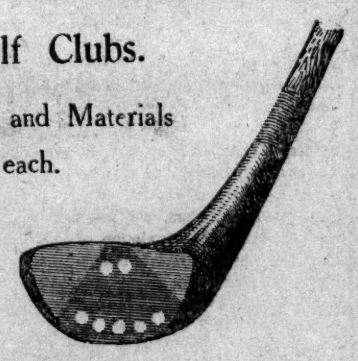
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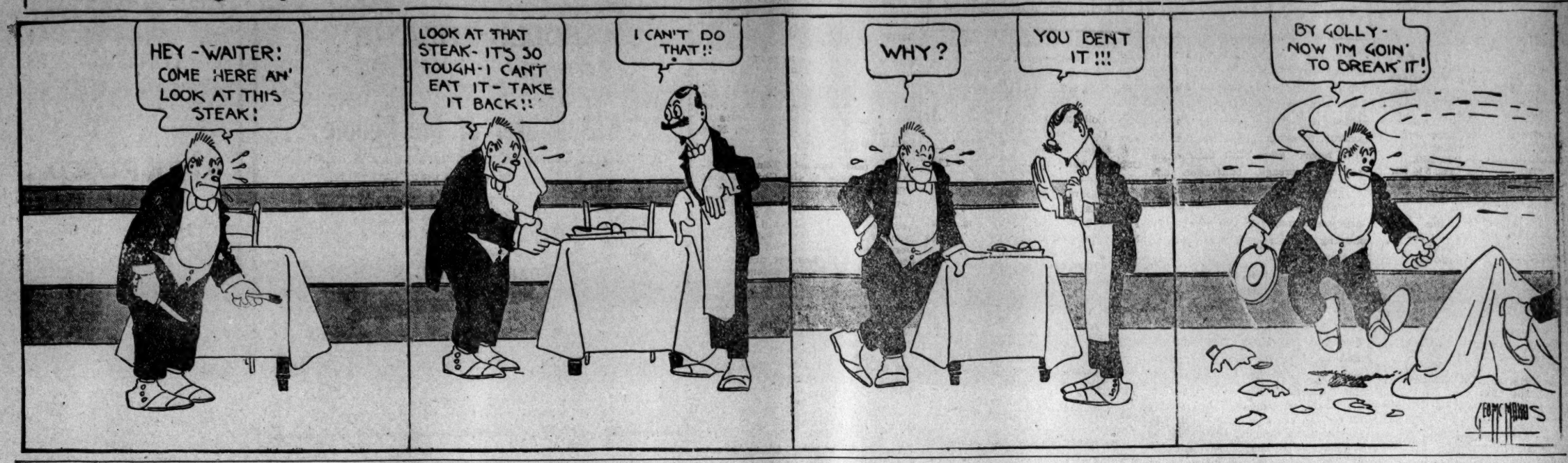
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IN QUEST OF PEACE BULGARIA'S HOPES CENTER IN THE EAST

Premier Radoslavoff Thinks President Wilson Has Been Misled

By Karl H. von Wiegand
(Staff Correspondent New York World)

Sofia, Nov. 7 (by courier to Berlin and wireless to Sayville, Nov. 10).—"Peace will come out of the east and not from the west; at least, peace is most likely to have its inception in the east, even if its fruition, culmination and realisation take place in the west.

"In his peace feelers and peace endeavors President Wilson, it would seem, has confined his efforts wholly to the western powers, limited his vision to London, Paris and Berlin, and ignored the east, where the war began, and more especially has ignored Petrograd. If President Wilson seeks for America the honor of mediating for peace in Europe, would it not be more practical, at least interesting, also to ascertain what Petrograd, Constantinople and Sofia think about peace?"

Russia Checked in Balkans

These were the ideas and questions enunciated to me today by Prime Minister Radoslavoff of Bulgaria.

"Russia can never reach her goal in the Balkans, in Constantinople, in the Dardanelles, in this war," he declared. "Russia is further from that goal today than ever.

"That she does not see it does not realise, and keeps up still her efforts, sacrificing hundreds of thousands to attain what it now must be apparent to every far-seeing statesman is unattainable for Russia by the method applied to achieve that end, is beyond my understanding.

"The Rumanian card was not the expected trump. That certainly is indisputable. Sarrail's offensive is an utter failure. The Entente press itself confirms that. The Entente machinations in Greece proved a fiasco, thanks to the King, who so far has proved himself a real King, worthy of the best Hellenic traditions, and who put the highest interest of his country and people above everything else.

Lesson to Rumania

"Rumania has had her lesson. Were she wise she would profit by her folly. Nowhere has an enemy soldier set foot on Bulgarian soil except as a prisoner. Russia never was further from the Dardanelles and Constantinople than today. What Russia has not attained through war, perhaps she might in part have attained through more peaceful means."

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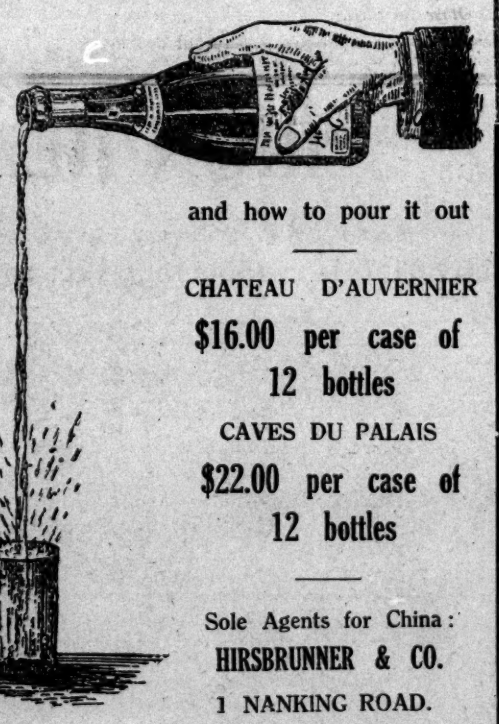

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Schools Teach 'Culture' But They Neglect Science Utterly

By Garrett P. Serviss

"Why is it that at the beginning of a new month we first see a fourth of the moon, then, as the month goes by, one half, and finally the whole moon?"

SUCH a question ought not to be thrown into the waste basket simply because it exhibits ignorance of the most primary facts of science. It is interesting and important as a commentary on the utter failure of schools to produce enlightenment outside of certain conventional limits.

A pupil comes out of a school knowing no more of nature than his untrained senses teach him. He is taught to write and to read, which are admirable and indispensable human inventions, but he is not taught to understand many of the simplest natural phenomena, by which he is to be surrounded and puzzled all his life through.

The shadow of the old classic idea still hangs over our educational system. In place of Greek and Latin we have "modern literature." In substitution for Homer and Virgil we have the up-to-date spinners of words and yarns.

The young mind is taught to look up to some clever story writer as a "great genius," and his "craftsmanship" and crude ventures in "interpreting life and character" are set up as models of intellectual achievement. The pupil is made to feel ashamed if he does not know about the methods and performances of these "masters," but nobody points the finger of scorn at him if he cannot tell why the moon changes its figures as it travels through the sky. In truth I have reason to suspect that some of the teachers themselves would have difficulty in explaining that!

The world is held back by such a system of education as this. Literature should be the dessert on life's table; but it is made the main dish. I find that my little girl knows all about Carlyle, Kipling, et al., but if she knows anything about the sun and the moon her knowledge is not derived from her school teachers.

She reads Burke "On Conciliation," and "Kim," and the "Essay on Burns," as prescribed studies, but somebody outside the school has to teach her to read nature, a greater orator, preacher and romancer than all of the word-weavers put together. We ought to count the age as long past when "learning" was regarded as identical with the ability to write and to scan Latin verse, a la Dr. Johnson, but the spirit of that age is with our educators still.

Of course, I do not mean to decry literary education, kept with reasonable bounds, but it is not literature that has pushed mankind to the point of mastery over the forces of nature which with much labor, and the expenditure of much time, it has, at last, reached. Let us be just to ourselves and to our descendants.

A very few story tellers will amply suffice for the world's needs, and it is robbed of its meed of real laborers in its teeming and waiting harvest fields when thousands of young minds, in every educational center, are imbued with the notion that they may be inchoate literary geniuses.

To return to the question about the moon, and this is perhaps the hundredth time that I have heard it asked by "educated" persons. The visible form of the moon changes because, first, it shines by reflecting the light of the sun and not by giving forth light of its own, and, second, because it travels around the earth in such a way that it is sometimes between the earth and the sun and sometimes on the opposite side of the earth from the sun.

At the beginning of the month (lunar) the moon is between the earth and the sun, and being an opaque body, the sunlight cannot pass through it, so that it is invisible to us because the side of it that receives light from the sun is turned away from the earth. As it swings out from the line between the sun and the earth a part of that half of the moon which is illuminated begins to come into view from the earth, and this part has the form of a crescent, because it is the edge of a globe or sphere.

You can graphically illustrate this effect by taking a globe and passing it between you and a lighted lamp. The farther it gets out of line with the lamp the more of its illuminated side will become visible in the shape of a "new moon." When the moon has reached a point at right angles to the direction of the sun we see its illuminated half sideways, or, in other words, it appears as a half-moon.

As it begins to swing round toward the side of the earth opposite to the sun, the visible portion of its illuminated hemisphere increases to a "gibbous," or oblong shape, and finally when it is exactly opposite to the sun, as seen from the earth, the whole of its illuminated face is turned toward us, and it appears as a "full moon."

Elementary as all this seems, I have reason to know that it is a mystery, to thousands, although it should be a mystery to nobody, and would not be if astronomy, "the mother of the sciences," were taught in the schools as it ought to be taught.

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BENJAMIN AND POTTS SHARE LIST.

Yesterday's Prices

STOCK	Quotations Closing
Banks	
H. K. and S. B.	$630 Sa.
Chartered	£59 10s.
Russo-Asiatic	R. 250.
Cathay, ordy	Tls. 5½ Sa.
Cathay, pref	Tls. 4½ B.
Marine Insurances	
Canton	$400
North China	Tls. 152½
Union of Canton	$945.
Yangtsze	$257½
Fire Insurances	
China Fire	$160
Hongkong Fire	$375
Shipping	
Indo-China Pref.	Tls. 128
Indo-China Def.	
"Shell"	106s.
Shanghai Tug (o)	Tls. 18½
Shanghai Tug (f)	Tls. 50
Kochien	Tls. 35
Mining	
Kaiping	Tls. 9.60 Sa.
Oriental Cons.	29s. 3d.
Philippine	Tls. 1.
Raub	$2¾
Docks	
Hongkong Dock	$133
Shanghai Dock	Tls. 90 Sa.
New Eng. Works	Tls. 13 S.
Wharves	
Shanghai Wharf	Tls. 75 B.
Hongkong Wharf	$84 B.
Lands and Hotels	
Anglo-French Land	Tls. 84½ B.
China Land	Tls. 50
Shanghai Land	Tls. 85 Sa.
Weihaiwei Land	Tls. 3.
Central Stores	$8½ B.
China Realty (ord.)	Tls. 50.
China Realty (pref.)	Tls. 50.
Cotton Mills	
E-wo	Tls. 167½
E-wo Pref.	Tls. 105
International	Tls. 72 Sa.
International Pref.	Tls. 75
Laou-kung-mow	Tls. 80
Oriental	Tls. 44
Shanghai Cotton	Tls. 120 B.
Kung Yik	Tls. 15
Yangtszepoo	Tls. 6½
Yangtszepoo Pref.	Tls. 101
Industrials	
Butler Tile	Tls. 23
China Sugar	$128 S.
Green Island	$12.10 Sa.
Langkats	Tls. 22 Sa.
Major Bros.	Tls. 5
Shanghai Sumatra	Tls. 165
Stores	
Hall and Holtz	$15 B.
Llewellyn	$60
Lane, Crawford	$90
Moutrie	$35
Watson	$6¾ B.
Weeks	$18 S.
Rubbers (Local)	
Alma	Tls. 14
Amherst	Tls. 1½
Anglo-Java	Tls. 11 Sa.
Anglo-Dutch	Tls. 6¼ S.
Ayer Tawah	Tls. 40
Batu Anam 1913	Tls. 1¾
Bukit Toh Alang	Tls. 5.10 X D Sa.
Bute	Tls. 1.70 B.
Chemor United	Tls. 1¾ B.
Chempedak	Tls. 16.
Cheng	Tls. 3 B.
Consolidated	Tls. 3.65 Sa.
Dominion	Tls. 13 Sa.
Gula Kalumpong	Tls. 8½ S.
Java Consolidated	Tls. 23
Kamunting	Tls. 6¼ B.
Kapala	Tls. 1.10.
Kapayang	Tls. 30½
Karan	Tls. 16.
Kota Bahroes	Tls. 11.10
Kroewoek Java	Tls. 21
Padang	Tls. 16.20
Pengkalan Durian	Tls. 10¼
Permata	Tls. 5¾
Repah	Tls. 1.60
Samagagas	Tls. 1.07½ B.
Seekee	Tls. 8¾.
Semambu	Tls. 1.70 S.
Senawang	Tls. 15½ B.
Shanghai Klebang	Tls. 1.20
Shanghai Malay	Tls. 8
S'hai Malay-Pref.	Tls. 13.
Shanghai Pahang	Tls. 1.65 B.
Sungala	Tls. 1.60 B.
Sungei Duri	Tls. 11¾
Sua Manggis	Tls. 6
S'hai Kalantan	Tls. 1.20
Shanghai Seremban	Tls. 1.10
Taiping	Tls. 2½.
Tanah Merah	Tls. 1.12½ Sa.
Tebong	Tls. 23½ B.
Ulobri	Tls. 2 B.
Ziangbe	Tls. 6½ B.
Miscellaneous	
C. I. and E. Lumber	Tls. 110
Cuity Dairy	Tls. 10 S.
S'hai Elec. and Asb.	$2
Shanghai Trams	Tls. 83
Shanghai Gas	Tls. 22
Horse Bazaar	Tls. 30
Shanghai Mercury	Tls. 30.
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Ayer Tawah Co.'s Report

We have received from Messrs. Geddes and Co., Ltd., the annual report of the Ayer Tawah Rubber Plantation Co., which will be presented at the seventh annual general meeting on December 20. The report gives full information regarding acreage, cultivation and planting, production and production costs, and accounts. There is also a large-scale map of the plantation showing the location of each lot and plantation building.

The planted area is 829 acres, containing approximately 123,150 trees, and there is a tract of 154 acres now being planted 98 trees to the acre. About 500 acres additional land adjoining the estate are about to be acquired. The total output for the year ended September 30 was 275,310 lb. as compared with 175,337 lb. for the previous year which was sold at prices ranging from 1/9½ to 4/1½ for sheet and crepe. The output for next year is estimated at 340,000 lb. The all-in cost of production was $0.43 per lb., Straits currency.

The profit and loss account shows a credit balance of Tls. 98,763.50, which the directors recommend shall be appropriated as follows:

	Tls.
To pay a final dividend of 20 per cent	43,758.00
To write off development account	14,385.81
To transfer to general reserve account	30,000.00
To carry forward	10,619.69
	98,763.50

The total dividend for the year will thus be 50 per cent.

London Rubber Market

Reuter's Service

London, December 12.—Today's Rubber prices were:—

Plantation First Latex.

Spot: 3s. 2d. Paid.

January to June: 3s. 2⅛d. Paid.

Tendency of Market: Lover, on realisations.

Last Quotation, London, Dec. 11.—

Spot: 3s. 4¼d. Paid.

January to June: 3s. 4½d. Paid.

Tendency of Market: Easier, after dearer.

Messrs. Hugo Reiss and Co. have received the following cable from Messrs. Kimmel and Co. London:—

Spot price standard quality

Ribbed Smoked Sheet..2s. 10½d.

Spot price standard quality

First Crepe .....2s. 10½d.

Market uncertain, sudden fall mainly due to demand from America ceasing.

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Exchange and Bullion

Shanghai, December 14. 1916.

Money and Bullion

Gold Dollar Bank's buying rate 85¾ = Tls. 1.17 @ 72.7 = $1.60

	Tls.
Mex. Dollars: Market rate.	72.525
S'hai Gold Bars: 978 touch...	—
Bar Silver	—
Copper Cash	1762
Sovereigns:	
Buying rate @ 3/6½—Tls.	5.64
Exch. @ 72.7 = Mex. $	7.76
Peking Bar Tls.	304
Native Interest	.03

Latest London Quotations

Bar Silver	36 5/8 d.
Bank rate of discount	6%
Market rate of discount:—	
3 m-s.	%
4 m-s.	%
6 m-s.	%
Exchange on Shanghai, 60 d-s.	
Ex., Paris on London ....Fr.	27.80
Ex., N. Y. on London T.T. $	476 7/16
Consols £	—

Exchange Closing Quotations

London	T.T.	3-6½
London	Demand	3-6 7/16
India	T.T.	262½
Paris	T.T.	492½
Paris	Demand	493
New York	T.T.	84¼
New York	Demand	84⅜
Hongkong... (nominal)	T.T.	70
Japan	T.T.	60½
Batavia	T.T.	204½

Bank's Buying Rates

London..nominal 4 m-s. Cdts.		3-7 13/16
London..nominal 4 m-s. Docy.		3-7 13/16
London..nominal 6 m-s. Cdts.		3-8¼
London..nominal 6 m-s. Docy.		3-8⅜
Paris ..... nominal 4 m-s.		508½
New York....nominal 4 m-s.		87¼

CUSTOMS HOUSE RATE OF EXCHANGE FOR DECEMBER

£1 = Hk. Tls.		5.12
Hk. Tls. 1 = Francs		5.43
„ „ 1 = Marks		†4.44
Gold $1 = Hk. Tls.		1.08
Hk. Tls. 1 = Yen		1.82
„ „ 1 = Rupees		2.93
„ „ 1 = Rouble		3.34
„ „ 1 = Mex.		$1.50

† Nominal.

Stock Exchange

Transactions

Shanghai, December 14, 1916.

TODAY'S QUOTATIONS

Official

H. and S. Banks $630.00
Cathays (Ord) Tls. 5.25
Kaipings "B" Tls. 9.60
Langkats Tls. 22.00
International Cotton (ord) Tls. 72.00
Shanghai Docks Tls. 90.00
Shanghai Lands Tls. 85.00
Anglo-Javas Tls. 11.25
Anglo-Javas Tls. 11.00 cash
Anglo-Javas Tls. 11.00 December
Bukits Tls. 5.10 XD.
Consolidated Tls. 3.65
Dominions Tls. 13.00
Tanah Merah Tls. 1.12½

Sharebrokers' Association

Transactions

Shanghai, December 14, 1916.

BUSINESS DONE

Official

Telephones Tls. 88.00 cash
Telephones Tls. 87.00 cash
Cathays 'O' Tls. 5.50 cash
Ziangbes Tls. 6.50 cash
Kotas Tls. 11.00 cash
Anglo-Javas Tls. 11.00 cash

LANGKAT DAILY OUTPUT

The following telegraphic information has been received by the general agent from the Sumatra director and manager of the Maatschappij tot Mijn-Bosch-en Landbouwexploitatie in Langkat:

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News Brevities

The death has taken place, in action, of Lieut. F. S. C. Jones, of the 86th Light Trench Mortar Battery and formerly of the 13th Lancashire Fusiliers. The deceased, who was killed on the French front on the 30th November, was for several years on the staff of Messrs. Barlow and Co., and volunteered for active service at the beginning of last year. He was only 23 years of age, and was born in Sydney, New South Wales.

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The case against Tsiang Wei-chuan, charged by the Chinese Post Office with attempting to open a parcel of express letters, was concluded in the Mixed Court yesterday. Accused was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, and ten days were allowed him in which to appeal. Mr. J. E. Lemiere prosecuted, and Mr. F. W. Hadley defended.

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The Canadian Pacific Ocean Services, Ltd., are now ready to book sailings for Spring and Summer. These routes are via Vancouver, Banff, Chicago, Detroit, Niagara Falls, Montreal and New York. A few choice cabins are still available, and intending passengers can obtain further information by ringing up 1668, or writing to J. R. Shaw, General Agent Passenger Department.

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The Fire Brigade had an hour's work before tiffin yesterday on a blaze at some Chinese houses between Yuenfong and Hwakee Roads. A strong westerly breeze which was blowing made the fire a dangerous one but extra lines of hose were laid on and the flames were ultimately got under control. Two houses were gutted and seven adjoining were more or less damaged. The fire is believed to have been caused by a youngster overturning a lamp.

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Under the direction of the Customs authorities fifty piculs of opium are to be destroyed at the Woosung destructor today.

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The Shanghai-Nanking Railway announces a premium on all subsidiary coins, in connection with the payment of all fares and freight charges of all kinds. These rules will come into force on this railway with effect from January 1, 1917. The rules will be found advertised on page 12 of today's issue of THE CHINA PRESS.

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Dr. Herbert Chatley, D. Sc. (London) last night gave a most interesting lecture to members of the Royal Asiatic Society on "Magical Practice in China."

COMMERCIAL CABLES

Reuter's Service

London, December 12.—Today's rates, prices and deliveries were:—

Consols 2½% for a/c	£54
Cheques on London at Paris	Fr. 27.80
T.T. on London at New York	$4.76½
Bar Silver (Spot)	36⅝ d.
Bank of England Rate of Discount	6%
Market rate of Discount	5 5/16%
Cotton; Egyptian F. G. F.	20.95d.
Cotton; M. G. Fine Scinde and Bengal	7.80d.
Cotton; Mid-American Spot	11.06d.
Plantation Rubber December (paid)	3s. 2d.
Deliveries China Silk	97 bales
Deliveries Canton Silk	110 „
Deliveres Japan Silk	39 „
Tone of Tea Market: Quiet.	

U. K. METAL MARKET

Reuter's Service

London, December 12.—Today's metal prices were:—

	£ s. d.
Standard Copper G. M. B. f.o.b. (Nominal)	146 0 0
American Electrolytic 99 90% Copper f.o.b.	166 0 0
Lead L. B. c.i.f. per ton	Nominal
Soft Lead "Spanish" f.o.b.	30 0 0
Quicksilver, Second hand Ex Warehouse f.o.b. (1/-Extra in flask)	18 15 0
Tinplates, I. C. W. 20/24 100 lbs. 112 Sheets per Case tin lined cases without hoops f.o.b. Wales (Nominal)	31d.
Muntz Metal, f.o.b. London or Liverpool (less ½%)	18d.
Standard Tin (Cash)	184 15 0
Spelter (ordy soft) f.o.b.	55 15 0
Galvanized Sheets 24 Gauge f.o.b.	26 5 0
Standard Tin (3 Months)	186 10 0

Shanghai Tramways

The following is the Traffic Return of the Shanghai Tramways (Foreign Settlement) for the week ended December 13, 1916, with figures for the correspondence week last year:—

	1916	1915
Gross Receipts	$31,623.00	$28,058.30
Loss by currency depreciation	6,508.07	7,419.99
Effective Receipts	$25,114.93	$20,638.31
Percentage of loss by currency depreciation	21.75	28.07
Car miles run	78,983	66,479
Passengers carried	1,439,961	1,243,409

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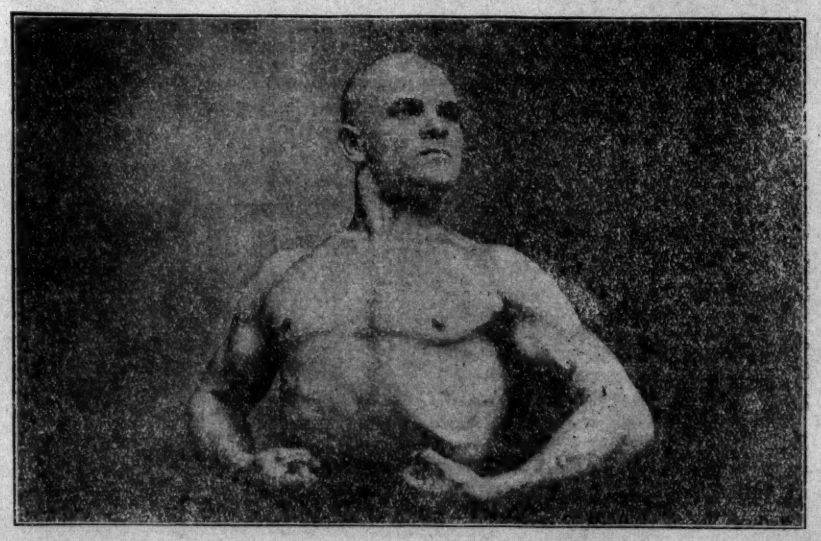

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Manager.

Commercial Bank of China

Head office: SHANGHAI

Subscribed Capital Sh. Tls. 5,000,000
Paid-up Capital ..... **Sh. Tls 2,500,000**

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For 12 months at 5% per annum.
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H. C. MARSHALL,
Chief Manager.

The Bank of Canton, Limited.

Incorporated 1912.

Authorised Capital .....H.		$2,000,000
Subscribed and Paid-up Capital .....H.		$1,357,850
Reserve Fund .....H.		$70,000

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JUKUUN,
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C. T. BEATH.
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Provision Prices in Local Markets

Prices quoted are in Mexican dollars cents at Hongkew market, as compiled on December 12, 1916.

Butcher's Meat		
Beef	per lb.	14-20
Mutton	„	16-20
Pork	„	25-30
Veal	„	25-30
Fish		
Bream	per lb.	16-20
Cod	„	16-20
Mandarin	„	20-30
Mackerel	„	20-25
Pomfret	„	20-25
Salmon	„	15-20
Samli	„	none
Soles	„	16-20
Whitebait	„	15-20
Game, Poultry and Eggs		
Deer	each	1.50-2.00
Duck	„	40-80
Eggs	per doz.	18-20
Fowl	per lb.	16-18
Geese	each	70-1.00
Hare	„	30-35
Partridge	„	35-40
Pheasant	„	50-60
Pigeons	„	18-20
Plover	„	none
Quail	„	14-16
Snipe	„	14-16
Turkey	per lb.	45-50
Teal	each	14-16
Wild Duck		30-35
Wild Geese	„	30-35
Woodcock	„	50-60
Wild Pigeon	„	10-12
Fruit		
Apples	per lb.	12-20
Apricots	„	none
Bananas	„	5-7
Cherries	„	none
Cocoanuts	each	15-20
Chestnuts	per lb.	10-12
Figs	per doz.	none
Grapes	per lb.	none
Lemons	each	8-10
Lichees	per lb.	none
Mangoes	each	none
Mangosteens	per doz.	none
Melons	each	none
Oranges	each	6-8
Peaches	„	none
Persimmons	„	none
Pineapples	each	none
Peeboes	per lb.	none
Plums	„	none
Pumeloes	each	10-15
Pears	per lb.	8-15
Strawberries	„	none
Walnuts	„	10-12
Vegetables		
Artiohokes	each	2-3
Asparagus	per doz.	none
Bamboo Shoots	per lb.	none
Broad Beans	„	5-6
Beetroot	per bunch	1-2
Cabbages	each	3-5
Celery	per bunch	8-10
Carrots	„	2-3
Cauliflower	each	10-15
Egg Plant	per lb.	8-10
French Beans	per lb.	10-12
Green Corn	each	none
Leeks	per bunch	2-3
Mushrooms	per lb.	none
Onions	per lb.	5-6
Peas	„	12-15
Potatoes	per pic.	$2.00-2.40
Parsnips	per lb.	2-3
Radishes	per bunch	1-2
Spinach	per lb.	2-3
Tomatoes	„	8-10
Turnips	per bunch	2-3
Grain and Flour		
Flour, American	per 50 lb.	$4.50
Flour, Shanghai	per 50 lb.	$2.40
Rice	per 200 lb.	$7.00
Milk		
Foreign dairies	per bottles	20
Chinese dairies	„	17
Fodder		
Barley	per 114 lbs.	$2.70
Bran	„	$2.00
Fuel		
House Coal	per ton	Tls. 11.60
Stove Coal	„	Tls. 17.50
Firewood	per 50 bundles	$1.00

E. KILNER
Chief Inspector.

U.S. Court for China

Defendants Reply In Blacklist Case

Judge Lobingier now has before him the full argument by counsel in the Leonard Everett v. Swayne and Hoyt, Inc., "Blacklist" case, Mr. Fessenden having filed his reply to Mr. Fleming.

The final brief reads as follows:—

Counsel for plaintiff contends that the defense set up by defendant, namely, that its refusal to accept the cargo in question was due to causes beyond its control is intolerable from the standpoint of American public policy. We submit that no question of American public policy is involved in this case. The defendant does not claim any exemption from its duty as a common carrier upon any ground other than those afforded by American law. It does not ask nor even suggest that its rights should be determined by any rules or principles of law except the fixed and established principles of American law. It does not plead nor contend that the British rules, regulations or acts relating to so-called "enemy trading" have any force or effect as law upon, or are in any way applicable to American citizens. At the utmost it only contends that by a combination of circumstances in which the British "trading with the enemy acts" are but a single factor it was prevented by causes beyond its control from discharging its common law duty as a carrier.

Counsel for plaintiff does not contend that to exempt a carrier from its common law duty where it is prevented from discharging such duty by causes beyond its control would be contrary to American public policy. The cases already cited by defendant and also by plaintiff are ample authority to the contrary. The question whether or not the British "enemy trading acts" are contrary to American public policy is not in issue. It is not claimed that these acts, as such, exempt the defendant. All that is claimed is that these acts, binding upon defendant's agents in China, an extraterritorial country, created a situation over which the defendant had no control, and of which it could not be presumed to have notice.

Plaintiff does not cite any authorities in point to dispute defendant's contention that a carrier is excused for its refusal to accept goods for transportation when such refusal is due to causes beyond its control. The weight of authority is certainly to the effect that the carrier is excused under such circumstances. He bases his case primarily upon the theory that notice to the agent is notice to the principal. He argues that the knowledge of defendant's agents as to the British "trading with the enemy acts" must be imputed to defendant.

Within certain limits it is a general principle of the law of agency that notice to the agent is notice to the principal. This notice or knowledge however is limited and restricted in every instance to the subject matter of the agency. "A principal is not affected with knowledge which the agent acquires while not acting in the cause of his employment or which relates to matters not within the scope of his authority unless the agent actually communicates his information to the principal." Cyc. 1587.

"Notice to an agent in order to be notice to the principal must relate to facts so material to the purpose of the agency as to make it the agent's duty to communicate the notice to the principal." Cyc. 1592.

As stated by plaintiff's counsel there is authority to the effect that knowledge acquired by the agent prior to the agency is binding upon the principal. But we submit that an examination of the authorities (Cyc. 1595 and cases cited) shows conclusively that such prior acquired knowledge is limited to the subject matter of the agency and moreover must have been in the mind of the agent at the time of transacting his principal's business or have been acquired within a reasonable time prior thereto. Furthermore it will be seen from an examination of the cases which support the principle of prior knowledge that such prior knowledge is usually knowledge acquired in connection with some prior transaction of the agent.

It seems to us to require no argument to show that the British "enemy trading acts" are not a part of the subject matter of the agency between Jardine, Matheson and Co. and defendant and are in no way material to the purpose of the agency. The subject matter of an agency, it seems to us, can be nothing more or less than the business conducted by the agent. Facts material to the purpose of any agency must be facts relating directly to the business itself and not to statutes, Acts of Parliament and executive orders of governments. Conceding for the sake of argument that a principal must be presumed to know matters which may be fairly considered as directly connected with the subject matter of the agency or material to the purpose of the agency it by no means follows that the principal is presumed to know foreign law because his agent may be located in a foreign jurisdiction. In the first place a presumption cannot be based upon a presumption. (United States vs. Ross 92 U. S. 281). Because a principal may be presumed to know certain facts within the knowledge of his agent, namely, those relating to the subject matter of the agency, this presumption cannot be the basis of a further presumption that the principal is presumed to know other facts not connected with the subject matter or purpose of the agency merely because his agent may have knowledge of such facts.

In the second place there is a presumption as old as the law itself that the laws of a country have no extraterritorial effect. There are some exceptions it is true but they do not alter the general principle. By an anomaly the laws of various foreign countries do have extraterritorial effect in China. This does not however alter the general principle. In the absence of anything to the contrary the presumption is that the law of foreign countries does not extend to China. As the extension of American law to Americans in China is based upon treaty there may be a presumption that non-resident Americans are presumed to know that such is the case. However this may be, a further presumption can not be based upon this presumption by which Americans can be presumed to know that British subjects in China are subject entirely to British law. Much less can there by any presumption that non-resident Americans by merely appointing British agents in China are bound to know the law to which such British agents are subject. We submit that nothing short of actual knowledge can bind the principal under such circumstances. And as a matter of fact it does not appear from the "trading with the enemy acts" themselves that they were intended to have the effect which they have been given in this particular instance. Neither the defendants nor their agents had any reason to suppose that these acts would prevent defendants' agents from accepting cargo from an American shipper for shipment by an American ship. The situation in which the agents were placed was one which neither the agent nor the principal could foresee or guard against.

We further submit in conclusion that the principle upon which plaintiff so greatly relies that notice to the agent is notice to the principal is limited to the subject matter and purpose of the agency and has never been and cannot be extended to embrace a knowledge of the laws extended by Great Britain to China for the governing of British subjects in China.

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" 16	11.0*	San Fancisco	Siberia maru	Jap.	A. T. Co.
" 19	D.L.	Boston & New York	Eurymedon	Br.	B. & S.
" 22	P.M.	San Francisco	Tenyo maru	Jap.	A. T. Co.
" 24	8.30*	Seattle, Victoria etc.	Tamba maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 30	P.M.	Vancouver B.C.	Empress of Russia	Br.	C. P. O. S.
Jan 2	P.M.	San Francisco	Ecuador	Am.	P. M. S S. Co.
" 7	P.M	San Francisco	Nippon maru	Jap.	T. K. K.
" 8	noon	Seattle, Victoria etc.	Shidzuoka maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 13	P M.	Vancouver B. C.	Empress of Japan	Br.	C.P.O.S.
" 19	P.M.	San Francisco	Shinyo maru	Jap.	A. T. Co.

FOR JAPAN PORTS

Dec 15	5.00	Kobe, Yokohama	Venezuela	Am.	P. M. S. S. Co.
" 15	3.00	Nagasaki	Poltava	Rus.	R.V.F.
" 16	5.30*	Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe	Omi Maru	Jap.	N. Y. K
" 16	11.00*	Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama	Siberia maru	Jap.	A. T. Co.
" 17	A.M.	Yokohama	Novara	Br.	P. & O.
" 19	6.30*	Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe	Chikugo maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 20	A.M.	Kobe, Yokohama	Suwa maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 21	A.M.	Kobe & Osaka	Kumano maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 23	A.M.	Yokohama	Somali	Br.	P. & O.
" 23	P.M.	Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama	Tenyo maru	Jap.	A. T. Co.
" 23	A.M.	Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe	Yawata maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 24	8.30*	Kobe, Yokohama	Tamba maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 30	P.M.	Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama	Empress of Russia	Br.	C. P. O. S.
Jan 8	noon	Kobe, Yokohama	Shidzuoka maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.

FOR EUROPE, INDIA, STRAITS, ETC.

Dec 15	11.0*	Marseilles etc.	Amazone	Fr.	Cie M. M.
" 16	..	Java Ports	Tjimanoek	Dut.	H.-C. T. Co.
" 17	D.L.	Liverpool via Cape	Ningchow	Br.	B. & S.
" 17	D.L.	London via Cape	Keemun	Br.	B. & S.
" 20	P.M.	Genoa, London etc.	Glenifer	Br.	Glen Line
" 22	D.L.	London via Cape	Perius	Br.	B. & S.
" 24	9.00*	London via Hongkong etc	Kemo maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 25	10.00*	Marseilles, London via Suez	Novara	Br.	P. & O.
" 27	D.L.	Liverpool	Kurypylus	Br.	B. & S.
" 31	1.30	London via Hongkong etc	Kashima maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
Jan 3	D.L.	London via Cape	Teucer	Br.	B. & S.
" 6	A.M.	Marseilles etc.	Armand Behic	Fr.	Cie M. M.
" 7	A.M.	London etc.	Mishima maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 8	A.M.	Marseilles, London via Suez	Somali	Br.	P. & O.
" 17	D.L.	London via Cape	Phemius	Br.	B. & S.
" 22	A.M.	Marseilles, London via Suez	Nyanza	Br.	P. & O.

FOR SOUTHERN PORTS

Dec 15	A.M.	Hongkong Canton	Hsinfung	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 15	D.L.	Swatow, Hongkong	Hoihow	Br.	B. & S.
" 15	P.M.	Ningpo	Shengking	Br.	B. &S.
" 16	A.M.	Foochow	Hsinkong	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 17	D.L.	Hongkong, Canton	Sunning	Br.	B. & S.
" 18	7.00*	Hongkong via Manila	Ecuador	Am.	P.M.S.S. Co.
" 18	5.00	Hongkong	Nippon maru	Jap.	T. K. K.
" 19	D.L.	Hongkong, Canton	Luchow	Br.	B. & S.
" 21	D.L.	Amoy, Hongkong, Canton	Shantung	Br.	B. & S.
" 22	7.30*	Hongkong	Shidzuoka maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 24	D.L.	Hongkong, Canton	Yingchow	Br.	B. & S.
Jan 2	..	Hongkong	Empress of Japan	Br.	C. P. O. S.

FOR NORTHERN PORTS

Dec 15	A.M.	Chefoo direct	Toonan	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co
" 15	D.L.	Haichow, Eching	Chinkiang	Br.	B. & S.
" 15	1.30	Tsingtao and Dalny	Kobe maru	Jap.	S. M. R.
" 15	3.00	Vladivostock	Poltava	Rus.	R. V. F.
" 16	P.M.	Tsingtao	Ono maru	Jap.	S. M. R.
" 16	10.00*	Weihaiwei, Chefoo, Tientsin	Shuntieh	Br.	B. & S.
" 16	10.0.*	Wethaiwei, Chefoo, Tientsin	Tungchow	Br.	B. & S.
" 19	6.0.*	Dalny	Sakaki maru	Jap.	S. M. R.
" 22	D.L.	Weihaiwei, Chefoo, Tientsin	Kingsing	Br.	J.M. & Co.

FOR RIVER PORTS

Dec 15	M.N.	Hankow etc.	Luenyi	Br.	B. & S.
" 15	M.N.	do	Tafoo maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 15	M.N.	do	Tuckwo	Br.	J.M. & Co.
" 15	M.N.	do	Tehhsing	Br.	Geddes & Co
" 16	M.N.	do	Poyang	Br.	B. & S.
" 16	M.N.	do	Nanyang maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 17	M.N.	do	Kiangkwan	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.
" 17	M.N.	do	Tachi maru	Jap.	N. K. K.
" 18	M.N.	do	Talee maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 18	M.N.	do	Kiangwah	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.
" 19	M.N.	do	Loongwo	Br.	J. M. & Co.
" 19	M.N.	do	Fengyang maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 19	M.M.	do	Tungting	Br.	B. & S.
" 20	M.N.	do	Yohyang maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 20	M.N.	do	Kiangtoo	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co
" 20	M.N.	do	Ngankin	Br.	B. & S.
" 22	M.N.	do	Wuchang	Br.	B. & S.
" 23	M.N.	do	Tatung	Br.	B. & S.

*A.M. M.N.—Midnight. D.L.—Daylight.

Arrivals

Date	From	Ship's Name	Tons	Flag	Agents	Berth
Dec 14	Ningpo	Kiangteen	2012	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.	KLYW
Dec 14	Hongkong	Sunning	1570	Br.	B. & S.	CNW
Dec 14	Hankow	Nanyang maru	968	Jap.	N.K.K.	NYKW
Dec 14	Tsingtao	Ono maru	414	Jap.	S.M.R.	WW
Dec 14	Dalny	Kobe maru	1536	Jap.	S. M. R.	SMRW
Dec 14	Hankow	Tuckwo	2770	Br.	J. M. & Co.	SHW
Dec 14	Hankow	Luenyi	1735	Br.	B. & S.	CNW
Dec 14	Hongkong	Mitra	4970	Br.	A. S. P. Co.	
Dec 14	Hankow	Tehhsing	937	Br.	Geddes & Co.	NSCW

Departures

Date	For	Ship's Name	Tons	Flag	Agents
Dec 14	Swatow, Hongkong, Canton	Kwongsang	1437	Br.	J. M. & Co
" 14	Hankow	Tseangtah	475	Br.	C.I. & E.L. Co.
" 14	Hankow	Meian	416	Am.	S. Oil Co.
" 14	Amoy, Hongkong, Canton	Sinkiang	1616	Br.	B. & S.
" 14	Tsingtao	Nagasaki maru	378	Jap.	M. B. K.
" 14	Liverpool via Cape	Oanfa	5818	Br.	B. & S.
" 14	Tsingtao	Kanju maru	941	Jap.	M. B. K.
" 14	Hankow etc.	Tungwo	961	Br.	J. M. & Co.
" 14	Kobe & Osaka	Kasuga maru	2387	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 14	Hankow etc.	Kiangyu	1490	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 14	Hankow etc.	Kutwo	924	Br.	J. M. & Co.
" 14	Ningpo	Kiangteen	2012	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.

Men-of-War In Port

Section	Date	From	Name	Flag and Rating	Tons	Guns	Men	Commander
S II	Dec. 2	Cruise	Brooklyn	Am cru.	9215	20	563	Day
P A O B I	Oct. 16	Cruise	Galveston	Am cru.	3200	18	309	Kellogg
Y T P D	Nov. 20	Cruise	Helena	Am g-b.	1392	8	159	Brosberton
S p.	Nov. 8	Cruise	Monocacy	Am g-b.	190	2	47	Carter
7 p.	Dec. 10	Cruise	Samar	Am g-b.	243	6	29	King

The French gunboats D. de Lagree and Decidee, the Japanese gunboats Fushimi, Sumida and Toba, and the British gunboat Woodlark are not included in this list, being dismantled.

Vessels Loading

For River Ports

HANKOW and PORTS.—The Co.'s Str. Tafoo Maru, Captain Y. Ikeda, will b edespatched from the Pootung N.K.K. Wharf on Friday, December 15 at about 12 o'clock midnight. This steamer has extra spacious Staterooms (electric fans fitted). European food of the best cuisine is provided. The last steam launch will leave Canton Road jetty at 11 p.m. For Freight and Passage apply to The Nisshin Kisen Kaisha, No. 5 The Bund. Tel. No. 3256.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The Co.'s Str. Nanyang Maru, Captain S. Yasaki, will be despatched from N. Y.K. Wharf on Saturday, December 16 at about 12 o'clock midnight. This steamer has extra spacious Staterooms (electric fans fitted). European food of the best cuisine is provided. The last steam launch will leave Canton Road jetty at 11 p.m. For Freight and Passage apply to The Nisshin Kisen Kaisha, No. 5 The Bund. Tel. No. 3256.

For Southern Ports

HONGKONG and CANTON.—The Str. Hsinfung, Capt. F. H. Hamblin, will leave on Friday morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C. M. S. N. Co.

FOOCHOW.—The Str. Hsinkong, Capt. Halkett, will leave on Saturday morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C. M. S. N. Co.

HONGKONG.—The s.s. Nippon Maru on Monday, December 18. The tender conveying passengers and mails will leave the Customs jetty at 5 p.m. For passage apply to The American Trading Company.

For Northern Ports

CHEFOO DIRECT.—The Str. Toonan, Capt. Taylor, will leave on Friday morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C. M. S. N. Co.

For Foreign Ports

SAN FRANCISCO via NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU.—The s.s. Siberia Maru will leave on Saturday, December 16. Passengers booked to all, points in America, and ports in Great Britain and Europe. The tender conveying passengers and mails will leave the Customs jetty at 11 a.m. For freight or passage apply to The American Trading Company.

For Japan

NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.—The s.s. Siberia Maru will leave on Saturday, December 16. Passengers booked to all, points in America, and ports in Great Britain and Europe. The tender conveying passengers and mails will leave the Customs jetty at 11 a.m. For freight or passage apply to The American Trading Company.

Shipping Items

The I.-C. s.s. Kingsing left Tientsin for Shanghai via Chefoo and Weihaiwei on Wednesday.

The Blue Funnel s.s. Eurymedon left Hongkong for Shanghai on Wednesday.

The C.M. s.s. Hsinchi left Tientsin for Shanghai on Tuesday.

The C.M. s.s. Kiangkwan left Hankow for Shanghai on Tuesday.

The C.N. s.s. Poyang left Hankow for Shanghai on Tuesday.

The C.M. s.s. Kiangwah left Hankow for Shanghai on Wednesday.

The N.K.K. s.s. Tachi Maru left Hankow for Shanghai on Tuesday.

The N.K.K. s.s. Talee Maru left Hankow for Shanghai on Wednesday.

The C.N. s.s. Luchow left Hongkong for Shanghai on Tuesday.

The I.-C. s.s. Choysang left Hongkong for Shanghai on Tuesday.

The P. and O. s.s. Karmala, with the outward mail of November 30, arrived at Port Said on Tuesday, the 12th instant.

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The I.-C. s.s. Loongwo left Hankow for Shanghai yesterday.

The C.N. s.s. Tungting left Hankow for Shanghai yesterday.

The C.M. s.s. Kiangfoo will leave Hankow for Shanghai today.

The C.N. s.s. Ngankin will leave Hankow for Shanghai today.

The N.K.K. s.s. Fengyang Maru will leave Hankow for Shanghai today.

The C.N. s.s. Tungchow left Tientsin for Shanghai via Chefoo and Weihaiwei on Wednesday.

The C.N. s.s. Shantung left Hongkong for Shanghai yesterday.

The N.S. s.s. Ningshao will leave Hankow for Shanghai today.

The C.M. s.s. Chiyen left Hongkong for Shanghai on Tuesday.

The C.M. s.s. Hsinming left Tientsin for Shanghai via Chefoo yesterday.

The C.M. s.s. Kianghsin will leave Hankow for Shanghai tomorrow.

The N.K.K. s.s. Yohyang Maru will leave Hankow for Shanghai tomorrow.

The Blue Funnel s.s. Demodocus left Shanghai on October 12, arrived at London on December 10.

The watermark at Hankow on the 11th instant was 10' 10" at Kiukiang on the following day 10' 4" and at Wuhu on the 13th instant was 7'.

Passengers Arrived

Per C.N. s.s. Luenyi from Hankow:—Mr. and Miss Beal.

Per C.N. s.s. Sunning from Hongkong:—Messrs. MacBerth and Sause.

Per I.-C. s.s. Tuckwo from Hankow:—Mrs. A. T. Astroveskhou, Rev. Agustin and Capt. Jas. Gray.

Per S.M.R. s.s. Kobe Maru from Dalny:—Messrs. George Knox and G. Drachenfels.

Per H.O. s.s. Tehhsing from Hankow:—Mrs. and Miss Tewksbury.

Launch Services

TODAY

The tender conveying passengers and mails to the P.M. s.s. Venezuela will leave the Customs jetty at 5 p.m.

The tender conveying passengers to the R.V.F. s.s. Poltava will leave the Customs jetty at 3 p.m.

The tender conveying passengers to the S.M.R. s.s. Kobe Maru will leave the Customs jetty at 12.30 p.m.

The launch conveying passengers to the N.K.K. s.s. Tafoo Maru will leave the Canton Road jetty at 11 p.m.

The tender Whangpoo conveying passengers and mails to the M.M. s.s. Amazone will leave the M.M. jetty at 11 a.m.

TOMORROW

The tender conveying passengers to the T.K.K. s.s. Siberia Maru will leave the Customs jetty at 11 a.m.

The launch conveying passengers to the N.K.K. s.s. Nanyang Maru will leave the Canton Road jetty at 11 p.m.

Siccawei Weather Report

13.—The barometer is rising generally, in China and Japan. Pressure highest between the Yellow and the Blue Rivers. The monsoon starts again along the coast. Weather improving in the evening.

14.—The weather clears up at night-time. The pressure rises decidedly. The wind shifts to N.W.

Meteorological Readings

Thursday, December 14, 1916.

WEATHER.	4 a.m.	9 a.m.
Bar. at Centg., mm	770.22	772.17
" " inches	30.32	30.40
Variation mm. for 24 h	†2.44	†4.14
Variation mm. for 12 h	†3.26	†3.03
Wind: Direction	NW	WNW
Wind: Kilom per hour	24	29
Wind: Miles	14.9	18.0
Temperature: Cen.	3°6	6°5
Temperature: Fahr	38.5	43.7
Humidity: co	90	78
Nebulosity: 5-10	10	4
Rainfall mm	—	—
Rainfall inches	—	—

Vessels In Harbor And At Woosung

Arrived	From	Ship's Name	Tons	Flag	Agents	Berth
Nov 14	Hankow	Albenga	2769	Ger.	Carlowitz	YWGW
Dec 9	Japan	Asosan maru	1221	Jap.	M. B. K.	MBKW
Dec 12	Hongkong	Athos	7525	Fr.	Cie M. M.	SMRW
Dec 13	Japan	Amazone	6007	Fr.	Cie M. M.	BX
Aug 4	Hongkong	Bohemia	4282	Aus.	Aus. Lloyd	B VII
Nov 30	New York	Brinkburn	3633	Br.	D. & Co.	YTPD
Aug 5	Hongkong	China	3868	Aus.	Aus. Lloyd	B XIII
Dec 11	Kushiro	Chinkiang	1292	Br.	B. & S.	WTW
Aug 8	Hongkong	D. Rickmers	2651	Ger.	H. D. & Co	U8A
Nov 26	New York	Euplectela	3506	Br.	A. S. P. Co.	APCUW
Dec 11	Hongkong	Eurybates	3507	Br.	B.& S.	HWYK
Dec 12	Swatow	Esang	1127	Br.	J.M. & Co.	SHW
Dec 27	Nanking	Fortuna	182	Ger.	H. D. & Co	10 p
Dec 11	Japan	Fuyo maru	757	Jap.	Satoh Shokai	HYPW
Dec 11	Chefoo	Hsinfung	1385	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.	KLYW
Dec 12	Swatow	Hoihow	896	Br.	B. & S.	WTW
Dec 12	Swatow	Hunan	1143	Br.	B. & S.	WTW
Dec 13	Tientsin	Hsinkong	267	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.	KLYW
May 23	Hankow	Kinling	2511	Br.	B. & S.	Int.D
Nov 28	Chefoo	Kungping	1742	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.	B J
Dec 9	Japan	Kaiko maru	957	Jap.	M. B. K.	TKDLW
Dec 13	Japan	Katsuura maru	1123	Jap.	M. B. K.	
Nov 18	Hankow	Lienhua	366	Br.	J. M. & Co	8 p
July 16	Hankow	Meidah	1682	Ger.	Melchers	NGLB 1
July 30	Hankow	Mellee	1682	Ger.	Melchers	NGLB 1
Dec 3	Hankow	Meifoo	406	Am.	S. Oil Co	SCCW
Dec 13	Japan	Omi maru	2221	Jap.	N. Y. K.	NYKW
Dec 12	Wenchow	Pocchi	631	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.	KLYW
Dec 13	Chinwangtao	Patriot	1427	Br.	K.M.A.	KMAW
Dec 13	Vladivostock	Poltava	1960	Rus.	R. V. F.	9 p
July 30	Tsingtao	Sikiang	1840	Ger.	H. A. L.	9 p
July 30	Hongkong	Silesia	3318	Aus.	Aus Lloyd	B IX
Dec 10	Chinwangtao	Shintoo	1323	Chi.	K. M. A.	KMAW
Dec 11	Chinwangtao	Sishan	1290	Rus.	K. M. A.	KMAW
Dec 11	Japan	Saishu maru	1215	Jap.	N. Y. K.	WSW
Dec 13	New York	St Dunstan	4410	Br.	Dodwell & Co.	
Dec 4	Swatow	Thode Fagelund	4137	Nor.	Arnold	BVI
Dec 6	Japan	Tokio maru	2196	Jap.	Satoh Shokai	CMEW
Dec 8	Hankow	Tungting	1264	Br.	B. & S.	CNW
Dec 9	Amoy	Taishun	1216	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.	KLYW
Dec 12	Hankow	Tafoo maru	1756	Jap.	N.K.K.	LPDW
Dec 12	Hongkong	Teucer	8650	Br.	B. & S.	BX
Dec 12	Swatow	Toonan	942	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.	KLYW
Dec 2	Hongkong	Tjimanoek	4971	Du.	H. C. T. Co.	KMAW
Dec 13	Swatow	Wosang	1127	Br.	J. M. & Co.	SHW
Dec 13	Japan	Yodo maru	1350	Jap.	Furikawa	

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"	"PERSIA MARU"	9,000 "	"	30	"
"	"KOREA MARU"	18,000 "	Feb.	13	"
"	"SIBERIA MARU"	18,000 "	Mar.	1	"
"	"TENYO MARU"	22,000 "	"	9	"
"	"NIPPON MARU"	11,000 "	"	23	"
"	"SHINYO MARU"	22,000 "	April	5	"
"	"PERSIA MARU"	9,000 "	"	19	"
"	"KOREA MARU"	18,000 "	May	1	"
"	"SIBERIA MARU"	18,000 "	"	15	"
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BUSINESS AND OFFICIAL NOTICES

The Senawang Rubber Estates Company, Limited.

The Directors of the above named Company have declared a Second Interim Dividend of 8% equal to FORTY Tael Cents per share—payable on and after the 21st December, 1916, to shareholders on record on that date.

Notice is hereby given that the Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 15th to 21st December, 1916, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

HUGO REISS & CO.

Secretaries & General Managers.

Shanghai, 7th December, 1916.

11915

Consolidated Rubber Estates (1914), Limited.

Incorporated under the Hongkong Ordinances.

The Directors of the above Company have declared a second interim dividend at the rate of 16 per cent (which equals 12 Tael cents per share) on the Capital of the Company, payable on and after the 20th December, 1916, to shareholders on record at that date.

Notice is hereby given that the Share Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 13th December to the 20th December, 1916, both days inclusive.

By order of the Directors,

China Realty Company, Limited.

Secretaries & General Managers

11851

The Bukit Toh Alang Rubber Estates, Ltd.

The Directors have declared an interim dividend of 5%—equal to twenty-five Tael cents per share—on the Capital of the Company, payable on and after the 15th December, 1916, to shareholders on record on 15th instant.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 11th to the 15th December, 1916, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

HUGO REISS & CO.

Secretaries & General Managers.

Shanghai, 5th December, 1916.

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11900

The Shanghai Klebang Rubber Estate, Limited

(Incorporated 1910)

NOTICE is hereby given that a Meeting of the Shareholders of the above named Company will be held at 38, Canton Road, Shanghai, on the 15th day of December, 1916, at 4.30 o'clock in the afternoon, in accordance with the provisions of Section 187 of the Hongkong Companies Ordinance, 1911, when the Liquidator will lay before the Meeting an account of his acts and dealings and of the conduct of the winding up during the past year.

C. J. L. STEWART,

Liquidator.

Shanghai, the 7th day of December, 1916.

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EAST BEACH,

CHEFOO.

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The International Recreation Club

KIANGWAN RACES

24th, 25th & 26th January, 1917

OFF DAY

27th January, 1917

Entries for all events close at 6 p.m. on Thursday, 21st December, 1916, at the Club House, 126 Bubbling Well Road.

Entry Forms may be obtained upon application from the Undersigned.

By order,

Y. J. CHANG,

Secretary.

12047

Shanghai Rowing Club

Smoking Concert

AT

THE BOATHOUSE

ON Saturday, 16th December, at 9.15 p.m. Formal opening of the Gymnasium.

Tickets $1.00, obtainble from Members.

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Tickets:—$1.00 each.

Tickets may be obtained from:—

Mrs. R. C. Phillippo, 10 Route Voyron.

Mr. G. M. Billings, The Shanghai Public School.

Mr. Cecil Holliday, 40 Kiangse Road and other members of the Country Club.

Shanghai, 8th December, 1916.

12049

Alma Estates, Limited

NOTICE is hereby given that the Seventh Annual General Meeting of shareholders of the above named Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 38 Canton Road, Shanghai, on Thursday, the 21st day of December, 1916, at 4.30 p.m. for presentation of the report of the Directors and Accounts to 30th September, 1916.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Friday 15th to Thursday, 21st December, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors.

HUGO REISS AND CO.

Secretaries & General Managers.

Shanghai, 9th December, 1916.

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B. ROTH & CO.

Coal Merchants

21 Nanking Rd. Tel. No. 4751

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Hongay Coal (Lump)	$24.00
Hankow Coal (Nuts)	23.00
Shansi Coal (Nuts)	24.00
Japan Coal (No. 1)	16.00
Japan Coal (No. 2)	15.00
Japan Coal (No. 3)	14.00
Coke	16.00
Charcoal, 2 Baskets	1.20
Firewood, 50 Bundles	1.00

Orders promptly executed.

NOTICE

The Shanghai Mutual Telephone Company, Limited

THE Subscribers' List for next year is now being written up. Subscribers being desirous of having alterations made are invited to send in their requests on or before the 30th December to

GUSTAF L. OBERG,

Secretary & General Manager.

Shanghai, 11th December, 1916.

12021

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT FOR CHINA

IN RE ESTATE OF PERCIVAL JULIUS WERLICH, deceased.

Cause No. Special Proceeding No. 204 (Administration)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Pursuant to an Order of said Court, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of PERCIVAL JULIUS WERLICH, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers, to JOHN HAYS, Ancillary Administrator of his estate, on or before June 8th, 1917; and all persons owing debts to said deceased are hereby notified to make payment of the same in due course to said Administrator.

JOHN HAYS,

Ancillary Administrator,

c/o Ellis and Hays,

Solicitors and Advocates,

3F Peking Road,

Shanghai, China.

Shanghai, December 5, 1916.

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Therefore on December 15, 1916 and onwards a full Bond, i.e., $2,000, will be redeemed.

AUDIT.

3.—A Continuous Daily Audit of the accounts of the Society is conducted by Mr. S. A. Seth, Chartered Secretary and Public Accountant.

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Kitchen Coal No. 2	12.00
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SHANGHAI.

CHINESE GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS

TIENTSIN-PUKOW LINE

TIME TABLE

(Published by order of the Administration)

0^00 = Midnight, 13^30 = 1^30 p.m.

September 1st, 1916, and until further notice

Mail 101 B. S.	Mail 3. B. S.	Luxe 1. B. S.	Miles	Peking-Mukden Line	Luxe 2. B. S.	Mail 4. B. S.	Mail 102. B. S.
2035	835	300	0	dep. Peking arr.	2230	1950	1030
2345	1112	635	. .	arr. Tientsin-Central dep.	1936	1700	720
2350	1117	640	84	dep. Tientsin-Central arr.	1930	1658	710
000	1125	650	. .	arr. Tientsin-East dep.	1920	1645	700
1910	520	2340	524	arr. Mukden dep.	2304	. .	1040

Local 5. B. S.	Mail 3. B. S.			Tientsin-Pukow Line		Mail 4. B. S.	Local 6.
715	1130	—	0	dep. Tientsin-East arr.	—	1705	1950
725	1140	—	2.71	arr. Tientsin-Central dep.	—	1655	1941
745	1200	—	78	dep. Tientsin-Central arr.	—	1631	1911
1148	1500	—	148	dep. Tsangchow dep.	—	1332	1509
1457	1746	—	—	dep. Techow dep.	—	1048	1158
1801	2021	—	220	arr. Tsinanfu dep.	—	806	845
7.	8.	—	—		—	8.	8.
830	2031	—	266	dep. Tsinanfu arr.	—	756	1812
1089	2231	—	318	dep. Taianfu dep.	—	601	1542
1300	038	—	377	arr. Yenchowfu dep.	—	349	1311
1315	048	—	523	dep. Yenchowfu arr.	—	339	1256
1558	316	—	600	dep. Lincheng dep.	—	120	1032
1816	450	—	631	arr. Hsuchowfu dep.	—	2336	810
9.	8.	—	—		—	8.	10.
630	457	—	420	dep. Hsuchowfu arr.	—	2329	2047
1156	838	—	—	arr. Pengpu dep.	—	1958	1442
1208	840	—	523	dep. Pengpu arr.	—	1946	1432
1657	1162	—	600	dep. Chuchow dep.	—	1648	928
1848	1300	—	631	arr. Pukow dep.	—	1530	728

Express 16 B. S.	Express 10. B.			Shanghai-Nanking Line		Express 1. B.	Express 15. B. S.
. .	1420	. .	0	dep. Nanking-Ferry arr.	. .	1416	. .
2300	1420	. .	. .	dep. Nanking arr.	. .	1415	630
700	2120	. .	193	arr. Shanghai-North dep.	. .	755	2300

Yenchowfu-Tsiningchow Branch Line						Lincheng-Tsochuang Branch Line					
930	1250	2130	d. Yenchowfu a.	630	1230	2000	530	1110	1800	d. Lincheng a.	810	1410	2100
1032	1455	2232	a. Tsiningchow d.	528	1125	1858	638	1219	1908	a. Tsochuang d.	702	1302	1950

The station for the foreign concessions in Tientsin is "TIENTSIN-EAST"

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S — train has sleep. accomm. 1st & 2nd class, s — train has only 1st class sleep. accomm.

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By Order.

THE TRAFFIC MANAGER.

Tientsin, September, 1916.

SHANGHAI-NANKING RAILWAY ABRIDGED TIME TABLE.

Shanghai North To Nanking—Up (Main Line) Nanking To Shanghai North—Down

STATIONS.	1 Express R	3 Local	5 Slow	7 Coolie Goods	9 Fast R	11 Local	13 NSG Local	15 Night Express R.S.	17 NSG Local
SHANGHAI NORTH ..dep.	7.55		8.20	9.00	12.50	15.20	8.40	23.00	17.15
Nansiang.. .. ,,			8.56	9.43	13.21	15.55	9.15	—	17.50
Kunshan .. ,,			9.56	11.06	14.07	16.51		—	
SOOCHOW arr.	9.34		10.52	12.03	14.10	17.53		1.01	
dep.	9.41		11.02	12.13	14.57	18.13		1.08	
WUSIH .. arr.	10.24		12.11	13.33	15.45	19.33		2.03	
dep.	10.31		12.21	13.43	15.52	19.41		2.10	
CHANGCHOW arr.	11.18		13.30	14.51	16.38	20.45		3.00	
dep.	11.22	6.10	13.42	15.01	16.47			3.10	
TANYANG .. arr.	12.07	8.00	14.57	16.10	17.41			—	
dep.	12.09	8.03	14.59	16.14	17.43			—	
CHINKIANG arr.	12.48	8.53	15.49	17.08	18.22			4.56	
dep.	12.52	8.59	15.57	17.18	18.32			5.06	
Nanking Ferry .. arr.	*14.10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
NANKING	14.15	10.55	17.50	19.25	20.05			6.50	..

STATIONS.	2 Local	4 Slow	6 Coolie Goods	8 Fast R	10 Express R	12 Local	14 NSG Local	16 Night Express R.S.	18 NSG Local
NANKING .. ..dep.		7.00	7.30	11.15	14.20	15.55		22.00	
Nanking Ferry ..dep.		—	—	—	*14.20	—		—	
CHINKIANG.. arr.		8.57	9.42	12.50	15.51	18.05		0.46	
dep.		9.05	9.52	12.59	16.01	18.25		1.00	
TANYANG .. arr.		9.55	10.48	13.38	16.36	19.16		—	
dep.		9.57	10.53	13.40	16.38	19.19		—	
CHANGCHOW arr.		11.04	12.11	14.42	17.26	20.30		2.53	
dep.	6.20	11.14	12.23	14.52	17.36			3.06	
WUSIH .. arr.		7.24	12.14	13.36	15.43	18.24		4.01	
dep.		7.31	12.22	13.46	15.53	18.31		4.11	
SOOCHOW .. arr.		8.40	13.35	14.55	16.47	19.21		5.04	
dep.		8.46	13.50	15.08	16.55	19.28		5.12	
Kunshan .. ,,		9.51	14.57	16.14	17.41	—		—	
Nansiang.. .. ,,		10.53	15.57	17.19	18.26	—		9.40	6.33
SHANGHAI NORTH .. arr.		11.25	16.30	17.55	18.55	21.20		10.15	7.00

								6.33	18.09
								7.00	18.35

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Woosung Forts to Shanghai North—Up (Branch Line) Shanghai North to Woosung Forts—Down

	31	33	35	37	39	41	43	45
WOOSUNG FORTS .....dep.	6.55	7.15	10.45	13.10	14.40	16.00	18.10	20.45
KIANGWAN	7.2	7.32	11.22	13.37	15.07	16.47	8.37	21.02
SHANGHAI NORTH ..... arr.	7.50	8.10	11.20	13.45	15.15	16.55	18.45	21.20

	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46
SHANGHAI NORTH ....dep.	6.15	7.35	10.05	12.15	14.00	15.20	17.25	20.00
KIANGWAN	6.26	7.46	10.16	12.26	14.11	15.41	17.36	20.11
WOOSUNG FORTS .....arr.	6.50	8.10	10.40	12.50	14.35	16.05	18.00	20.35

SHANGHAI-HANGCHOW-NINGPO RAILWAY

ABRIDGED TIME TABLE IN FORCE FROM THE 12th DECEMBER 1916

MAIN LINE.

SHANGHAI NORTH TO ZAH KOU—"DOWN" ZAH KOU TO SHANGHAI NORTH—"UP"

STATIONS	102 Local	104 Fast	106 Slow	108 Coolie & Goods	D Local	E Local	110 Express	F Local	H Local	I Local
Shanghai North ..... dep.		7.35	8.55	10.05			14.00			
Jessfield ..... dep.		8.00	9.20	10.30			14.25			
Siccawei ..... dep.		8.11	9.31	10.41			14 36			
Lunghwa Junction.... dep.		8.28	9.48	11.00			14.52			
		A. 104	B. 106	C. 108	D	E	F. 110	G. 112	H	I
Shanghai South....dep.		*8.00*	*9.20*	*10.30*	*11.20*	*13.35*	*14.30*	*16.10*	*16.45*	*18.00*
Lunghwa Junction..dep.		*8.28*	*9.48*	*11.00*	*11.38*	*13.53*	*14.52*	*16.29*	*17.03*	*18.18*
Sungkiang ..... arr		9.09	10.47	12.00			15.26	17.37		
dep.		9.18	10.55	12.10			15 28	17.47		
Kashai ..... dep.		10.03	11 5-	13 33			16.15	18.57		
Kashing ..... arr.		10 25	12 26	14.06			16 3-	19.30		
dep.	7.20	10.35	12 36	14.16			16 46			
Yeh Zah ..... dep.	8.08	11 14	13 20	15.16			17.21			
Chang An ..... dep.	9.00	11.49	14.04	16.10			17 55			
Hangchow ..... arr.	10.26	12 43	15.16	17.37			18.42			
dep.	10.38	12 53	15.26	17.47			18.54			
Zah Kou ..... arr.	11.00	13.09	15.45	18.15			19.10			

STATIONS	O Local	P Local	101 Local	R Local	103 Fast	105 Slow	U Local	107 Coolie and Goods	109 Express	111 Local
Zah Kou ..... dep.					6 45	8.10		8 55	14.15	16.00
Hangchow ..... arr.					7.05	8 30		9.23	14.30	16.24
dep.					7.15	8.40		9 33	14.40	16.35
Chang An ..... dep.					8.15	9 56		11.03	15.26	17.57
Yeh Zah ..... dep.					8 52	10.40		12 30	15.57	18.50
Kashing ..... arr.					9 30	11.22		13 36	16.28	19.40
dep.			7.25		9 40	11.30		14.07	16 38	
Kashai ..... dep.			8.00		10.05	12.00		14 47	17.01	
Sungkiang ..... arr.			9.08		10 54	12.59		16.03	17.46	
dep.			9.18		10.57	13 03		16.18	17.49	
	O	P	Q. 101	R	S. 103	T. 105	U	V. 107	W. 109	
Lunghwa Junction..dep.	*8.35*	*9.55*	*10.37*	*10.55*	*11.48*	*14.05*	*14.55*	*17.22*	*18.33*	
Shanghai South....arr.	*8.53*	*10.13*	*10.55*	*11.13*	*12.05*	*14.23*	*15.13*	*17.40*	*18.50*	
Lungh a Junction.... dep.					11.44	14.03		17.19	18.29	
Siccawei ..... dep.					11 56	14.15		17.31	18 41	
Jessfield ..... dep.					12.07	14 27		17.42	18.52	
Shanghai North .... arr.					12.30	14 50		18.05	19.15	

KIANGSU BRANCH LINE

KON ZEN CHIAO TO ZAH KOU ZAH KOU TO KON ZEN CHIAO

STATIONS		122	124	126	128	130	132
Kon Zen Chiao..	dep.	7 05	8.30	11.05	14.05	16.05	18.15
Ken Shang Mun.	arr.	7.18	8.43	11.18	14.18	16.18	18.28
	dep	7.25	8.50	11.20	14.21	16.20	18.29
Hangchow.....	arr.	7.35	9.00	11.30	14.31	16.30	18.37
	dep.		9.05	11.35		16.37	
Zah Kou.....	arr.		9.25	11.55		17.00	

STATIONS		121	123	125	127	129	131
Zah Kou.....	dep		9.40	12.20		17.15	
Hangchow.....	arr.		10.00	12.40		17.35	
	dep	7.45	10.05	12 50	14.55	17.40	18 50
Ken Shang Mun.	arr.	7.55	10.15	13.00	15.05	17.50	19 00
	dep.	8.00	10.23	13 05	15.10	17.52	19.02
Kon Zen Chiao..	arr.	8 13	10.35	13.18	15.23	18.05	19.15

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The Ayer Tawah Rubber Plantation Co., Ltd.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Seventh Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held in the Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce Room, 1 Yuen Ming Yuen Road, Shanghai, on Wednesday, 20th day of December, 1916, at 4.30 p.m., to receive the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the Financial Year ended the 30th September, 1916, to elect a Director, to fix the Directors' remuneration, to elect Auditors, and to transact other ordinary business.

The Transfer Book and Share Register of the Company will be closed from December 15th to December 20th, both days inclusive.

DATED this 9th day of Dec., 1916.

By Order of the Board,
GEDDES & CO., LTD.
Secretaries.

12018

HARDWARE METALS AND SUNDRIES

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11017

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS,
Department of Commerce and Police
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS,
Manila, P. I.

NOTICE
of
Sale of Motor Transportation Equipment

Sealed bids plainly marked "Bids for purchase of P. I. Motor Transportation Equipment," will be received at the Office of the undersigned and at the Office of the American Consul General at Hongkong, Shanghai and Singapore, until December 30, 1916, for the purchase, subject to prior sale, of the following units of motor transportation equipment owned by the Government of the Philippine Islands, to wit:—

No.	Articles (Yorkshire Patent)	Manufacturer's rated capacity.	Unit Cost Price delivered at Manila in 1913	Total Cost Price delivered at Manila.	Location (Where may be inspected)
6	Steam Wagons	3 ton	P7,773.87	P46,643.22	Manila, P. I.
3	Trailer "	2 ton	1,135.96	3,407.88	Manila, P. I.
1	Steam Wagon	3 ton	7,773.87	7,773.87	Iloilo, P. I.
1	Trailer Wagon	2 ton	1,135.96	1,135.96	Iloilo, P. I.
1	Steam Wagon	3 ton	7,773.87	7,773.87	Baguio, P. I.

The above motor transportation equipment was manufactured by the Yorkshire Patent Steam Wagon Co. (The Yorkshire Commercial Motor Co.), Leeds, England, under what is known as the "Yorkshire Patents," and was purchased new from the manufacturer by the Government of the Philippine Islands in 1913.

All of the equipment is in good serviceable condition and the six steam wagons and three trailer wagons in Manila have had but little use in the past 18 months and have recently been repaired and overhauled in the Government Machine shops and are in first class condition.

The equipment is not constructed so as to conform to the requirements of the motor vehicle Law of the Philippine Islands and a condition of the sale will be, that said equipment will not be used upon the public highways of the Philippine Islands.

Bids will be received for the purchase of all or any part of the above described equipment. The terms of the sale will be cash upon delivery at Manila. All bids must be accompanied by a draft or certified check payable to the "Treasurer of the Philippine Islands," for 10% of the amount of any bid as a guarantee that delivery of said equipment will be received at Manila, and payment made therefor, within sixty days after notice is received of the acceptance of any bid.

To facilitate the dispatch of notice of acceptance or rejection of any bid, all bidders residing outside of the Philippine Islands should give the name and address of a representative in the Philippine Islands to whom notice may be given.

All certified checks or drafts of unsuccessful bidders will be returned with notice of the rejection of their bid.

The right is reserved to sell privately at any time, all or any part of the above equipment, or to reject any or all bids received, or to accept such bid or bids as in the opinion of the undersigned are most advantageous to the Government of the Philippine Islands.

Proposal forms may be had upon request to the Offices above named.

E. J. WESTERHOUSE,
Director of Public Works.
Manila, P. I.

SHANGHAI-NANKING RAILWAY

Premium on Subsidiary Coins

It is notified that the undermentioned rules in connection with the payment of fares and freight charges of all kinds will be in force at all the stations on this Railway with effect from the 1st January, 1917:—

(a) For all charges collected by Station Masters amounting to over fifty cents ($0.50) dollar coins will be asked for and collected from passengers.

(b) All charges amounting to not less than ten cents ($0.10), but not more than fifty cents ($0.50) will be collected (subject to the rates in the list of premium charges) in small silver coins.

(c) All charges amounting to less than ten cents ($0.10) will be accepted, or returned as change, in copper coins.

2. A premium of two copper cents will be collected for every fare or part of a fare of not more than ten cents or not less than six cents, and a premium of one copper cent for a fare or part of a fare of five cents or under.

3. For further particulars please refer to the notices posted up at all Booking Offices of the Railway.

By order,
A. C. CLEAR,
Engineer-in-Chief & General Manager
12053

HWA VENG FACTORY.

11, 13 & 15 Route des Soeurs.

Corner of Route des Soeurs and Great Western Road.

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Manufacturers of Peking & Tientsin Carpets and Rugs.

Made to any design, colour or size.
Only permanent dyes are used.
Prices very moderate.

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MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION

No. 2406

NOTICE is hereby given that the Transfer Books of the Municipal Loans will be closed from December 20 to December 30, both days inclusive.

By order,
J. B. MACKINNON,
Acting Secretary.

Council Room.
Shanghai, December 14, 1916.
12062

FOR SALE

COMPLETE set of old Chinese books, by the name of Tu Shu Chih Ching (圖書集成), Tong Wen Book Co. printing (同文大版), vols. 5026, will be sold at a very moderate price. Inquiry and inspection will be welcomed at D-103 Chao Tung Road, Shanghai.

12057

The Geographical and Topographical Society of China

8B Peking Road

(Opposite Chinese Post Office)

We beg to notify the public that we have no connection whatever with the "Far Eastern Geographical Establishment," who have recently added to their previous firm's name and title, part (3/4) of our title, viz: the words "The Geographical Sociey of China," since our first announcement appeared in the Shanghai papers.

The public is therefore respectfully requested to take special note of our Shanghai address, which is, 8B Peking Road (Opposite The Chinese Post Office).

Respectfully,
The Geographical & Topographical Society of China.
12065

APARTMENTS

WINDSOR HOUSE
14-15 Quinsan Gardens

Front room, with bathroom and verandah attached, to let.
Tel. 3482
$408

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8 & 11 Quinsan Gardens

TO LET a nice cosy bedroom with bathroom attached, suitable for married couples.
'Phone 1946.
10070

TO LET

CENTRAL. Large and small rooms: bathrooms attached, Quiet comfort. Excellent cooking, very moderate terms. Apply to Box 368, THE CHINA PRESS.
11282

TO LET, well-furnished room, with board, in central locality. Private family. Apply to Box 265, THE CHINA PRESS.
12056 D 17

TO LET, nicely furnished room, with separate bathroom, $20 per month. Apply to Box 248, THE CHINA PRESS.
12061 D 16

TO LET, in a highly-modern Realty house, a large, light and elegantly-furnished bed-sitting-room, with tiled bathroom. Suitable for two bachelors or a married couple, with full board. Apply to Box 232, THE CHINA PRESS.
12044

SITUATION VACANT

WANTED, energetic young Chinaman, as assistant in an evening school of instruction. Liberal commission. Apply to Box 266, THE CHINA PRESS.
12058 D 17

WANTED: smart man for book and stationery store, North China. Progressive and permanent position for good man, with experience. Apply, with particulars as to age, experience and salary required, to Box 268, THE CHINA PRESS.
12060 D 21

WANTED: A young Lady to attend to sales in flower shop. Apply to 573 Nanking Road.
12063 D 15

EDUCATIONAL

LADY teacher will give lessons to beginners in piano and music. Apply to 13 Fearon Road.
12030 D 15

HOUSES TO LET

18 RUE CORNEILLE, near French Park, five large rooms, kitchen and bathrooms perfect, tennis, from December 20th. Raven Trust. Tel. 60.
12036

TO LET at once, No. 45 Broadway Terrace. Apply to No. 10 Yangtszepoo Road.
12034 D 19

TO LET, No. 448 Avenue Joffre, 9-roomed house, situated North-West corner of Avenue Joffre and Route des Soeurs. Apply to China Realty Co., Ltd.
11839 T. F.

OFFICES, ETC., TO LET

TO LET; office suitable for broker or lawyer, cheap rent. No. 8 Museum Road. Apply to Chiffre.
11939 D 15

SITUATIONS WANTED

JAPANESE gentleman, as salesman or office assistant. Many years experience in canvassing and general office work. Apply to Box 267, THE CHINA PRESS.
12059 D 17

POSITION WANTED, expert stenographer, five years' experience. At present reporter for Public Utility Commission, Philippine Islands. Services available January first. Address Chas. Kline, Y. M. C. A., Manila.
12020 D 15

WANTED: stenography and typing to do evenings, Saturday afternoons or Sundays, by competent American woman. Apply to Box 244, THE CHINA PRESS.
11949 D 16

HOUSES WANTED

WANTED at once by German 3 or 4-roomed-house, with kitchen and bathroom. Apply to Box 262, THE CHINA PRESS.
12046 D 15

TRANSLATIONS

TRANSLATOR, who has considerable experience in legal, consulate, syndicate, journalistic, commercial and official translation work, undertakes translation in English and Chinese of agreements, petitions, letters, legal documents, advertisements, and commercial documents, etc. Please apply to Chang Nieh-yun, c/o 1-a Peking Road, or P.D., 159 Haining Road, opposite West End Lane.

Exchange and Mart

WANTED, two second-hand Vollers' codes, 12 fig. system. Apply to Box 259, THE CHINA PRESS.
12039 D 15

FOR SALE, one Fox, hammerless, double-barrel shot-gun, 30" barrels, 12 gauge. Only used twice. First $80 takes it. Apply to Box 255, THE CHINA PRESS.
12032 D 15

FOR SALE S. L. "Puan." Wooden launch of the following dimensions; 72' long, 14' beam, 4' draft, suitable for canal or river work. Twin screw, compound engines, in good repair. Brass propellers. Speed 9 knots per hour. Low consumption. Now lying at the New Engineering Co.'s premises at Yangtszepoo. Further particulars can be obtained from the Inspector of the Salt Revenue, 11 Markham Road, Shanghai.
12043 D 15

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MOTOR-CAR (Ford), second-hand, in good condition, for sale. Apply to Box 253, THE CHINA PRESS.
12025 D 15

FOR SALE, one Underwood typewriter, two Rex typewriters, and one Yost typewriter. For price, apply to Box 261, THE CHINA PRESS.
12042 D 15

FOR SALE, one teak-wood counter, with brass rail, 16 ft. long. Apply to Box 260, THE CHINA PRESS.
12041 D 15

WANTED, Gasoline boat-motor, 8 to 10 h.p., with full outfit. Apply, with full particulars, to Box 257, THE CHINA PRESS.
12035 D 17

WANTED, a small but choice collection of Gramaphone Records. Victor for preference. Apply to Box 148, THE CHINA PRESS.
T F.

FOR SALE, ermine shawl, stole and muff. Reasonable. Apply to Box 251, THE CHINA PRESS.
12000 D 16